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ABSTRACT

A database management system, the Naval Postgraduate School Scheduling System (NPS3), is proposed to support the Naval Postgraduate School schedulers in scheduling academic events and courses for students, instructors and classrooms during an academic quarter. NPS3 is designed to assist schedulers in the scheduling process by presenting courses to be scheduled based on scheduling priorities. Semi-permanent events are automatically scheduled and entered in relevant student, instructor and room schedules based on predetermined entries in the NPS³ database. Schedulers are allowed to assign time periods and classrooms to each subsequent course. NPS³ then enters the scheduling information in the appropriate student, instructor and room schedules before the next course is scheduled. This process continues until the lowest priority course is scheduled. Structured Systems Analysis and Design Methods are used to present NPS3. High-level design specifications are detailed with data flow diagrams, entity relationship diagrams and structure charts.

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I. INTRODUCTION

In March of 1992, two Naval Postgraduate School (NPS) students, Nolan J.S. and Youngblood P.D., proposed a decision support system (DSS), "NAVAL POSTGRADUATE SCHOOL SCHEDULING SUPPORT SYSTEM (NPS⁴)", to assist the NPS course schedulers in developing student, instructor, room and final exam schedules for an academic quarter. (Nolan, 1992)

Their thesis research consisted of an extensive systems analysis which included an historical study of the evolution of the NPS scheduling process and an examination of every detail of the current scheduling system. They provided a definition of scheduling needs and requirements, some database specifications, proposals and recommendations to develop a DSS and the evaluation of alternative solutions. Additionally, a user interface prototype was presented. (Nolan, 1992)

In NPS⁴, Nolan and Youngblood presented a number of alternative solutions for the NPS scheduling process. An analysis of their research reveals the following recommendations common to the majority of the alternative solutions:

 augmentation of parts of the existing system is presumably the most prudent option in terms of maintaining the human element in the scheduling process, easing user transition into a new system and holding down implementation costs;



- any automated portion of the current scheduling system should have the capability to accommodate at least two course schedulers, offering concurrent access and use of the scheduling data and partially completed schedules; and
- a dedicated relational database is needed in almost all alternative solutions to store the huge amount of important information (much of which resides on the NPS mainframe computer) required to construct student course group, instructor and room schedules. (Nolan, 1992)

A. PROBLEM

As previously mentioned, Nolan and Youngblood (1992) presented a user interface prototype to validate the course scheduler's requirements. This was accomplished using a rapid prototyping methodology as a tool for software development. However, there is a need for multiple methodologies in developing large systems such as that presented by the NPS scheduling process (Keyes, 1992). In today's changing world of software development, structured analysis and design methods can be integrated with prototyping techniques (Keuffel, March 1992), "...coming together in a combination that is better than any of the parts...." (Keyes, 1992) in order to shorten the system development life cycle.

The purpose and goal of this thesis research is to provide a more detailed systems analysis and design specifications of the current NPS scheduling process and the target system presented and proposed respectively by Nolan and Youngblood in NPS⁴. We envision that these specifications will be used by computer programmers for eventual systems implementation of a

computer based solution/enhancement to the current scheduling system or to NPS⁴. Structured Systems Analysis and Design methodologies will be used with emphasis on database design.

B. METHODOLOGY

Semi-formal analysis and design specifications will be developed using dataflow diagrams, structure charts and module specifications, complemented by database specifications consisting of entity relationship diagrams and entity and attribute definitions.

C. STRUCTURE OF THIS THESIS

Chapter II provides a brief discussion of the organization of the Naval Postgraduate School and the background of the current NPS course scheduling process.

Chapter III presents a concise overview of dataflow diagrams, entity relationship diagrams, structure charts and module specifications.

Chapter IV summarizes the conclusions and recommendations for follow-on steps required to implement the design generated in this thesis.

Appendices A, B, C, D and E contain the physical dataflow diagrams of the current NPS scheduling system, the entity relationship diagrams with related entity and attribute definitions, the logical dataflow diagrams of the target scheduling system, the target system structure charts, and the module specifications, respectively.

II. BACKGROUND ON NPS SCHEDULING

A. NAVAL POSTGRADUATE SCHOOL (NPS)

The Naval Postgraduate School is atypical compared to most public and private academic institutions with respect to its course scheduling process. For the sake of clarity, a brief description of the NPS scheduling process summarized from Nolan and Youngblood (1992) is presented below:

Under the auspices of the Chief of Naval Operations, the Naval Postgraduate School located at Monterey, California, is an academic institution of higher learning and research with the primary purpose to increase the combat effectiveness of U.S. and allied armed forces by providing graduate degree programs to qualified students in areas not usually available through other educational institutions, and by conducting research that actively supports U.S. armed forces operations. (Nolan, 1992)

The student body at NPS is composed of U.S. military officers from all branches of the service, foreign national officers from almost 30 allied countries, and some U.S. military enlisted personnel and federal civilian employees. Most study and research programs pursued satisfy both Masters or Doctorate degree requirements and fulfil requirements that

earn a military occupational specialty (MOS) code for service members. (Nolan, 1992)

The NPS administration of learning and research is a cooperative effort between military and civilian personnel. Academic departments, with a majority of their faculty members being civilians with Doctorate degrees, prepare and offer courses. Curricular programs of study are developed by military Curricular Officers, who direct students through chosen programs to ensure students complete both degree and MOS requirements. Civilian Academic Associates work with Curricular Officers to ensure that each curricular program is academically sound. A civilian Management Analyst manages the collection of Departmental and Curricular Officer data used in the scheduling process, and the NPS Class Schedulers construct course schedules from this collected data. (Nolan, 1992)

B. CURRENT NPS COURSE SCHEDULING

The academic year at NPS is divided into four quarters, Fall, Winter, Spring and Summer. The scheduling process consists of four phases and requires a joint effort from several groups of people in order to construct schedules during each quarter. An excerpt from NPS⁴ (Nolan, 1992) summarizes the four phases of the scheduling process at NPS:

1. Forecasting

Up to a year or more in advance, departmental schedulers and the Management Analyst forecast probable quarterly student course demands and Instructor workloads necessary to meet these demands. A Tentative Course Schedule is produced indicating which courses are expected to be taught by each academic department during each quarter. (Nolan, 1992)

2. Pre-Scheduling

Pre-Scheduling is a quarterly process. Curricular Officers, via the Management Analyst, give departmental schedulers information about which courses their students are requesting for that quarter. Departments then determine which courses will actually be taught that quarter. If there are requested courses that will not be taught, students replace these with ones that will be. After receiving this updated information, departments divide courses that are too large into segments and assign instructors to teach each course. (Nolan, 1992)

3. Scheduling

Pre-Scheduling information is given to the Class Schedulers, who use it to construct a Master Instruction Schedule and individual schedules for students, instructors

and classrooms. Schedules for the upcoming quarter are then distributed to applicable offices and individuals. (Nolan, 1992)

4. Post-Scheduling

After all the schedules are constructed including the Master Instruction Schedule, and throughout the scheduled quarter, changes may be made to the student, Instructor or room schedules. Student schedule changes are approved by their Curricular Officer and Academic Associate. Instructor schedule changes to a course's room or time periods are coordinated by the Class Schedulers and the changes are registered and maintained by them. (Nolan, 1992)

5. Synopsis of the Present Situation

Each quarter during the scheduling phase, course scheduling is done entirely by manual manipulation of information from Department Chairmen and Curricular Officers by two Class Schedulers. The Schedulers, with pencil and 5" x 8" schedule cards use "time-proven heuristics," (Nolan, 1992) to assign time periods and rooms literally by hand to hundreds of courses and course segments offered during a quarter. These courses and course segments are then matched to approximately 300 Instructor schedules and 1100 student course group schedules. Additionally each quarter, room schedules for each academic room used for instruction at NPS, are manually generated. (Nolan, 1992)



Course Schedulers use a set of scheduling priority guidelines, as well as Instructor preferences taken from Department Chairman Reports, to help minimize scheduling conflicts. However, when conflicts do occur, such as time period and/or room conflicts, or changes in course scheduling are requested, each conflict or change request is manually resolved, subsequently changing each schedule card affected. (Nolan, 1992)

In addition to the original schedule cards that are constructed each quarter, each original schedule is photocopied multiple times and distributed to their respective recipients.

After regular course scheduling is completed, final exam schedules must be constructed for each course that requires a final exam, assigning rooms and time periods to each final exam. As with regular course scheduling, conflicts must be minimized, resolved and avoided.

The present scheduling process at the time of this thesis research is seen as being vastly inefficient in regard to spending valuable man-hours making tedious manual entries and erasures to schedules and their related schedules, and photocopying thousands of schedule cards for distribution.

6. Most Pressing Concerns

Thesis research done by Nolan and Youngblood (1992) in "The Naval Postgraduate School Scheduling Support System," identified the most pressing concerns regarding the current NPS scheduling process:

- "...constantly having to locate, retrieve, and replace physical schedule cards...." (Nolan 1992) related to each scheduled course and course segment in order to add, modify or delete schedule information;
- "...lack of standardization in department entries to the [final] iteration of the Department Chairman Report..."
 (Nolan, 1992) indicating whether time periods and rooms are required or preferred by instructors; and
- lack of proper documentation methodology for changes to schedules during the Post-Scheduling phase. (Nolan, 1992)

In their analysis, Nolan and Youngblood, emphasized the need to maintain the <u>human element</u> required in the complex scheduling construction at NPS, and allowing the continuation of the freedoms of choice enjoyed in the present scheduling process. Since maintaining the human element is paramount in any given solution to meet the scheduling system requirements at NPS, Nolan and Youngblood proposed a partly automated decision support system, extending the present scheduling system capacity and creating more system capabilities. (Nolan, 1992)

C. NAVAL POSTGRADUATE SCHOOL SCHEDULING SYSTEM (NPS3)

1. Function

A database management system, the Naval Postgraduate School Scheduling System (NPS³) is proposed to support the NPS course schedulers in scheduling academic events and courses for students, instructors and classrooms during an academic

quarter. NPS³ is designed to assist schedulers in the scheduling process by presenting courses to be scheduled based on scheduling priorities (Nolan, 1992). Semi-permanent events are automatically scheduled and entered in relevant student, instructor and room schedules based on predetermined entries in the NPS³ database. Schedulers are allowed to assign time periods and classrooms to each subsequent course, course segment or laboratory. After resolving any scheduling conflicts, NPS³ then enters the scheduling information in the appropriate student, instructor and room schedules before the next course, course segment or laboratory is scheduled. This process continues until the lowest priority course is scheduled. (Interview, Schedulers, April 13, 1992)

2. Extending NPS4

Nolan and Youngblood (1992) used a rapid prototyping strategy during the analysis phase of system development demonstrating a user interface prototype "...to validate the analyst's view of what the user's want and need...." (Keuffel, October 1991). This user interface prototype was developed "...using Hypercard 2.0 on an Apple Macintosh IIci personal computer with 8MB of RAM and a 64K cache card under the System 7 operating system." (Nolan, 1992)

There are limitations to using rapid prototyping in systems development: it is "...hard to control, and has no overall plan, intermediate deliverables, 'audit trail,' or certainty about the result". (Gardner, 1991)

Furthermore, using Apple Macintosh's Hypercard environment to develop a scheduling system for the NPS course schedulers presents a dilemma. Currently, NPS course schedulers operate in an IBM compatible PC environment, making the use of Hypercard for continuation in system development questionable.

Given the limitations of rapid prototyping, the incompatibility dilemma that Hypercard presents, and the enormity of the NPS scheduling process, a need exists for structured analysis and design documentation of the Naval Postgraduate School Scheduling System (NPS³).

Structured methodologies provide "...guidance in completing complex tasks as well as providing a medium for consistent communication..." (Gardner, 1991) between analysts, designers and programmers. "Methodologies are based on theory and have been tested many times, so that they've acquired formal rigor." (Gardner, 1991) In addition, structured methodology offers an historical record of the system under development (Keuffel, March 1992).

NPS³ is not intended to replace the work done by Nolan and Youngblood (1992), but to be used to complement their work in an integrated and interactive approach to the system

development. NPS³ will facilitate communication between system development team members by partitioning the scheduling process "...into manageable chunks...." (Plauger, 1992). The scheduling process problem is "...decomposed into parts...." showing the "...modularity of design...." presenting "...a logical design before one tries the physical design." (Gardner, 1991). NPS³ will answer questions such as:

- Where is the development process now?,
- What development has been accomplished to date?, and
- Where is the development process going next?

Moreover, addressing the Hypercard dilemma, NPS³ structured analysis and design specifications will be developed "...to achieve hardware and software independence...." (Wetherbe, 1984). In doing so, NPS³ allows future system implementors the freedom to choose the appropriate hardware and software for system implementation.

3. Concurrent Access of Data

An issue not addressed in the NPS³ design specifications, but certainly important in developing a multiuser database scheduling system, is the need for concurrent access and use of scheduling data and partially completed schedules.

When the situation arises where two or more schedulers are using the same scheduling data and/or partially completed

schedules (e.g., two different schedulers are scheduling two different courses to the same instructor schedule), a certain degree of data and record locking is needed while at the same time allowing for the 'refreshing' of the concurrent scheduler's screen as one scheduler manipulates data shared by both schedulers.

Care must be taken to ensure that there is not too little data or record locking which may cause integrity problems, nor too much data or record locking which may result in delays or deadlock. (PC User, June 17, 1992) Furthermore, the time taken to 'refresh' a scheduler's screen is a critical factor in the efficiency of the scheduling system. If not done properly, one scheduler could effectively update/erase an other scheduler's recent changes to the concurrent data and/or schedule.

To account for 'refreshing' a scheduler's screen, NPS³ structure charts would have to be modified. The most logical place to 'refresh' a scheduler's screen is during the procedure for resolving schedule record conflicts, Appendix D, Figure D-22. When the system determines schedule conflicts, searches for alternative schedule selections, or puts alternative selection to the schedule record, multiuser screens accessing concurrent data and/or schedules can be checked and 'refreshed' with the relevant scheduling data where appropriate.

III. STRUCTURED METHODOLOGY

Structured methods provide an effective "...communication vehicle...." (Keyes, 1992) for analysts to capture the system requirements from its end users (Keuffel, March 1992) and provide traceability and maintainability to programmers during system design and implementation (Riehle, 1991). The structured methodologies used in this thesis are structured analysis, entity relationship diagrams and structured design. The structured analysis includes physical and logical data flow diagrams. Entity and attribute definitions are included with the entity relationship diagrams. The structured design includes structure charts and module specifications.

A. DATA FLOW DIAGRAMS

Dataflow diagrams (DFD) are models used widely in structured analysis. They are not flow charts and thus do not explicitly show the flow of control through a system. However, dataflow diagrams do show flow of data, storage of data, and the processes that respond to and change data. (Whitten, 1989)

Different language and symbol sets have been developed to illustrate dataflow diagrams. For the purposes of this thesis, and illustrated in Figure 3.1, the Demarco-Yourdon

symbol set, "...perhaps the most well known...." (Keyes, 1992), will be used where:

- A circle represents a process that transforms inputs into outputs. The details of the process are not known.
- A rectangle depicts a source/destination name that defines the boundaries of the system. Source/destinations provide the net inputs to and receive the net outputs from the system.
- Data stores are depicted as open-ended boxes.
- Named arrows are depicted as data flows, representing inputs or outputs.
- A slash in the lower right-hand corner of a source/destination indicates a repetition of a source/destination within the given data flow diagram.
- A double line to the left of a data store indicates that a data store is repeated within the given data flow diagram. (Whitten, 1989)

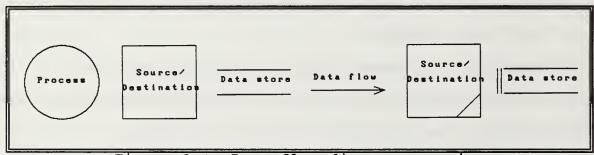


Figure 3.1 Data flow diagram notation

Several sets of dataflow diagrams are produced during structured analysis and include DFD's that:

 Model the current system and the target system to be built. Model the physical implementation details of the system, called the physical system, or model the essential characteristics of the system, called the logical system. (Whitten, 1989)

In Appendix A, the physical context data flow diagrams and the physical systems level data flow diagrams for the current NPS scheduling process are presented to detail the current scheduling system implementation.

In an attempt to gain a more detailed description of the NPS scheduling process user requirements presented by Nolan and Youngblood (1992), and to enhance possible alternative implementation solutions, the logical data flow diagrams are displayed in Appendix C. The logical data flow diagrams model the essential processing requirements of the system independent of any technology that might be used to implement those requirements (Whitten, 1989).

B. ENTITY RELATIONSHIP DIAGRAMS

An Entity Relationship Diagram (ERD) is a logical systems analysis technique of data modeling that illustrates "...data at rest...." (Whitten, 1989). An ERD is a very detailed picture of data storage independent of the processing performed with those data stores. Therefore ERD's do not depict flow or processing of data and should not be read like data flow diagrams or flow charts. Because entity relationship diagrams depict data at rest or data being

stored, they do not imply how data is implemented, created, modified, used or deleted. (Whitten, 1989)

An ERD is made up of entities and the relationships between those entities. An entity is anything real or abstract that can be described by a set of common characteristics that are called data elements or attributes. Usually, at least one of the entity's data elements uniquely identifies one and only one occurrence of the entity. This data element or elements is referred to as the key. (Whitten, 1989)

A relationship is a natural association between one or more entities. Relationships usually exist between two different entities, but may also exist between different occurrences of the same entity. Furthermore, relationships may be dependent on other relationships. (Whitten, 1989)

As with data flow diagrams, various language and symbology is used to illustrate entity relationship diagrams, see Figure 3.2. Normally a rectangle represents an entity while a diamond represents a relationship. Because of the complexity of the NPS scheduling process and its many entities and relationships, the diamond is omitted to save space in the NPS Scheduling System ERD. (Whitten, 1989)

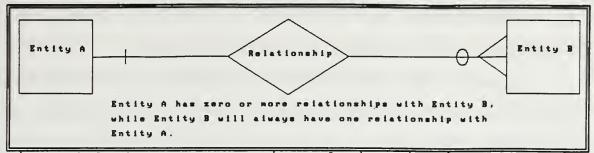


Figure 3.2 One-to-many entity relationship diagram notation

The NPS Scheduling System entity relationships are described by words and symbols that indicate the number of occurrences of one entity that can exist for a single occurrence of the related entity, and vice versa. Three general possibilities of occurrences exist:

- One-to-one (1:1)--for one occurrence of the first entity there can exist only one related occurrence of the second entity and vice versa;
- One-to-many (1:M or M:1) -- for one occurrence of one entity there can exist many related occurrences of a second entity; it doesn't matter which is first or second;
- Many-to-many (M:M) -- for one occurrence of the first entity there exists many related occurrences of the second entity, and for one occurrence of the second entity there exists many occurrences of the first entity. Many-to many relationships are transformed into one-to-many relationships creating an intersection between the many-to-many relationship. (Whitten, 1989)

Furthermore, the hash marks on the line between a relationship represent a mandatory relationship while a circle represents an optional relationship (Kroenke, 1988). A "...crow's foot...." (Haas, 1991) on a line between a relationship represents many occurrences of that relationship

while the absence of a "...crow's foot...." (Haas, 1991) represents one occurrence of that relationship.

Appendix B presents the Entity Relationship Diagrams and the entity and attribute definitions for the proposed NPS Scheduling System.

C. STRUCTURED DESIGN USING STRUCTURE CHARTS

Structured design is considered a disciplined approach to computer design that:

- develops "...a blueprint of a computer system solution to a problem that has the same components and interrelationships among the components as the original problem....
- ...seeks to conquer the complexity of large systems by means of partitioning the system into 'black boxes', and by organizing the black boxes into hierarchies suitable for computer implementation....
- [and] ...uses tools, especially graphic ones, to render systems readily understandable." (Page-Jones, 1988)

In Structured Design, structure charts are used to illustrate the partitioning of a system into modules, or 'black boxes', and show their hierarchy, organization and communication. The concern is almost entirely with what a module does rather than how it does it. This form of documentation actually helps the designers during the design effort. (Page-Jones, 1988) Structure charts present a "...template for coding....a plan of attack...." (Keuffel, October 1991), bridging the gap between the analysis and the

design of a system. Furthermore, structure charts are flexible enough to remain current with modification to the system over its lifetime. (Page-Jones, 1988)

In addition, these structure charts serve as a 'road map' for maintainers to use to quickly track down defects or implement user modifications. (Page-Jones, 1988)

Figure 3.3 illustrates structure chart notation. Modules are shown as rectangular boxes, with their names inside. The name is a statement of the module's function, what it does to completion each time it is called. Pre-defined modules are graphically illustrated by adding lines parallel to its vertical sides. Pre-defined modules already exist in a system or application library, operating system or database management system. Communication from one module to another, referred to as a 'call', is indicated by an arrow. Data that flows between modules is illustrated by using a circle with an arrow attached. (Page-Jones, 1988)

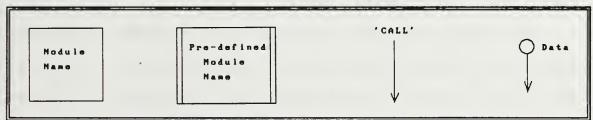


Figure 3.3 Structure chart notation

By using the scheduling system requirements detailed by Nolan and Youngblood (1992), and the specifications from Appendix C, Appendix D presents the NPS³ structure charts illustrating the use of a database management system:

- to automatically import data from files downloaded from the NPS mainframe computer,
- to allow the user to update existing NPS3 database files,
- to create NPS schedules by allowing users to schedule courses based on scheduling priorities, and
- to review and update existing schedule files.

D. MODULE SPECIFICATIONS

Like structure charts, module specifications are used as a communication tool to bridge the gap between design and programming, giving a potential programmer information on the procedural details of each module. The programmer is told what inputs the module uses when called, what outputs the module returns and the function the module is expected to carry out. (Page-Jones, 1988)

Two types of specifications are offered: interface specifications and specification by pseudocode. Interface specifications use structured English, providing "...a minimal amount of procedural detail to accompany the structure chart." (Page-Jones, 1988) This allows the programmer the freedom to program in what ever way he/she pleases.

Specification by pseudocode is a more detailed description of a module's internal procedure. Pseudocode simulates actual code and therefore presents less work for the programmer to attain the final code. (Page-Jones, 1988)

Appendix E provides the module specifications for the $\ensuremath{\mathtt{NPS^3}}$ modules illustrated in Appendix D.

IV. CONCLUSION/RECOMMENDATION

A. WHY STRUCTURED METHODOLOGY?

The Naval Postgraduate School Scheduling System (NPS³) detailed in this thesis does not pretend to offer a fool proof analysis and design solution to the NPS course scheduling process. However, NPS³ is presented to reinforce and complement the work done by Nolan and Youngblood (1992) by suggesting a structured rational design approach.

A structured rational design approach to system development will offer understanding and guidance to potential programmers, facilitate control of the project rather than proceed in an adhoc manner, present a standard procedure for system implementation, make measuring the progress of a system easier and enhance good overall management of the system development. (Keuffel, September 1991)

To expedite the growth of the scheduling system, NPS³ structured analysis and design specifications and Nolan and Youngblood's (1992) user interface prototype "...can be integrated into a new development life cycle that combines the benefits of both approaches...." (Plauger, 1992).

"From structured methods, we gain the abstract representation of the system and the documentation that provides the historical record of the project. From rapid prototyping we gain the ability to quickly put before our users a concrete representation of user interfaces, which

iteratively evolves into the completed system." (Keuffel, March 1992)

B. IMPLEMENTATION

A system with the size and complexity of the Naval Postgraduate School Scheduling System can be implemented in a number of different ways.

The first step that should be taken for implementation is to build the relational database management system given the specifications in Appendix B. Once the relational database is built, integration with Nolan and Youngblood's user interface prototype should be investigated to incorporate the relational database and the user interface prototype into "...functional prototype...." (The Computer Conference Analysis Newsletter, April 15, 1992). This would entail actually building part of the scheduling system. It is important to keep in mind that the NPS course schedulers should be included early and continually in the implementation and testing of the scheduling system.

The next step of implementation would be to divide the design presented in this thesis into logical components to be developed incrementally. Possible divisions of the system are:

 a component to read files downloaded from the NPS mainframe and import the data into the NPS³ database files;

- a component that automatically schedules semi-permanent events to the appropriate schedules;
- a component that allows scheduling of courses based on a particular course scheduling priority, after which subsequent priorities could easily be implemented;
- a component that determines and resolves any scheduling conflicts that may occur;
- a component that 'refreshes' multiuser screens when concurrent access and use of scheduling data and partially completed schedules is taking place; and
- although not addressed in this thesis except to show their organization in the overall system, components for the Final Exam Scheduling, Master Instruction Schedule and Scheduling Data Graph applications, respectively.

C. SOFTWARE

There are a number of PC-based multiuser relational database management systems (RDBMS) on the market today that would be possible candidates for use in NPS³:

- Borland International Inc.'s dBase IV 1.5
- Borland International Inc.'s Paradox 4.0;
- Fox Software's FoxPro LAN 2.0;
- DataEase International Inc.'s DataEase 4.5;
- Microrim Inc.'s R:BASE 3.1c:
- Oracle Corp.'s Oracle 7.0; and
- Blyth Software Inc.'s Omnis 7.

Each of the RDBMS's listed above has its strengths and weaknesses relative to the other software packages. Although this is valuable information when presenting alternatives, to give a detailed analysis of the strengths and weaknesses of

each RDBMS would be a thesis in itself. Instead, the following major considerations are provided for selecting a multiuser RDBMS:

- Ready-to-use-tools--can a non-programmer produce adhoc queries and reports, create and maintain tables and indexes, and enter and edit data without custom coding?;
- Database maintenance--can the data be stored and accessed independent of any application?;
- Environment--does the RDBMS offer the development environment with the capability to produce the application needed to use the RDBMS in an effective manner?;
- Database structure--significant restrictions on the number of records or fields or the size of records or fields should be evaluated; are null values represented correctly and can they be tested for in the database?; is the data stored in one large repository which would cause efficiency problems or are the tables stored as separate files which would speed data access;
- Referential integrity--does the RDBMS automatically prevent erroneous data entries to records that don't exist or prevent deletion of an entity record without deleting it from its related entities; or does this function have to be programmed in by the user?;
- Data security and access control--what degree of security and access control is offered?; is it at the level needed?; will you have to write code to get it to the level you desire?;
- Record locking--this was addressed in Chapter II under Concurrent Access of Data;
- Data loading--can the RDBMS import data from other files or databases?; What file formats can it read and how many?; is the data validated before or after loading?;
- Structured Query Language supportability--does the RDBMS support embedded SQL for executing non-procedural operations on the data for ease-of-access, scaleability and optimization;

- Programming--how easy is it to customize the code to meet the requirements of specific applications? (PC User, June 17, 1992); and
- Hypercard interface--the RDBMS must have the capability to either provide a graphical user interface (GUI) as proposed by Nolan and Youngblood (1992), or else be able to connect to the Hypercard GUI developed in NPS⁴.

D. OMNIS 7

In the author's view, Blyth Software Inc.'s Omnis 7 is a particularly desirable candidate for a relational database management system to be used in NPS³.

Although relatively high priced (\$1,250), Blyth Software's Omnis 7 offers a powerful relational database management system for single users or for multiusers of complex networked database systems. Specifically marketed for developers, Omnis 7 is easy-to-use and robust providing abundant features for beginners such as quick prototyping, a short popup menu mode that "...generates entry screens, reports, and menus at the click of a mouse...." (Miley, 1992), and "...online context sensitive help...." (Fogel, 1992).

Written in a high level procedural language, C++, Omnis 7 lets the developer/user take care of several discrete steps by issuing a single command. In short, Omnis 7 offers "...a sophisticated integrated development environment for creating database applications...." (Anderson, 1992).

One of the features that make Omnis 7 a true integrated development environment is its cross-platform architecture.

Omnis 7

"...offers seamless portability between Mac database applications created for use in the Mac environment and applications meant for one of the competing PC-based graphical user environments, Microsoft Windows or IBM's Presentation Manager. Applications written for Omnis Seven on any of these platforms can be moved to the other without modification." (Miley, 1992)

This cross-platform portability makes Omnis 7 a perfect candidate to be integrated with Nolan and Youngblood's (1992) user interface prototype. Alternatively, Omnis 7 can be developed as a file server based data manager in a LAN environment or "...as a front end to a Structured Query Language based server..." (Fogel, 1992). Omnis 7 has the capability to read several different file formats facilitating the importation of data from other programs, foreign files or databases (Blyth Software, 1990).

Omnis 7's database engine allows dozens of files to be open simultaneously, can display fields from multiple files on a single window and can update all open files with a single command. In addition, Omnis 7 offers

[&]quot;...one of the most powerful GUI builders in the industry. To create a data entry window, the developer paints it in design mode, and Omnis 7 makes it come alive in execute mode. Aside from data-entry fields, virtually any standard GUI element, such as push buttons, check boxes, and scrolling lists, can be incorporated into an Omnis 7 window. What's more, multiple windows can be open simultaneously, each one movable, scrollable and sizeable, and each operating independently or in sync with the others." (Fogel, 1992)

For the potential programmer/implementor, Blyth Software Inc.'s Omnis 7 presents speed and virtually unlimited flexibility in the possible implementation of the Naval Postgraduate School Scheduling System. Furthermore, Omnis 7 can be found in the NPS software inventory which may preclude its purchase for any follow-on work to NPS³ (Ragan, 1992).

APPENDIX A: CURRENT NPS3 PHYSICAL DATA FLOW DIAGRAMS

In the following figures, FIG. A-1 thru FIG. A-6, the physical context data flow diagrams and the physical systems level data flow diagrams for the current NPS Scheduling System are presented so that the reader may obtain a more detailed understanding of what the current system does and how the current system is implemented.

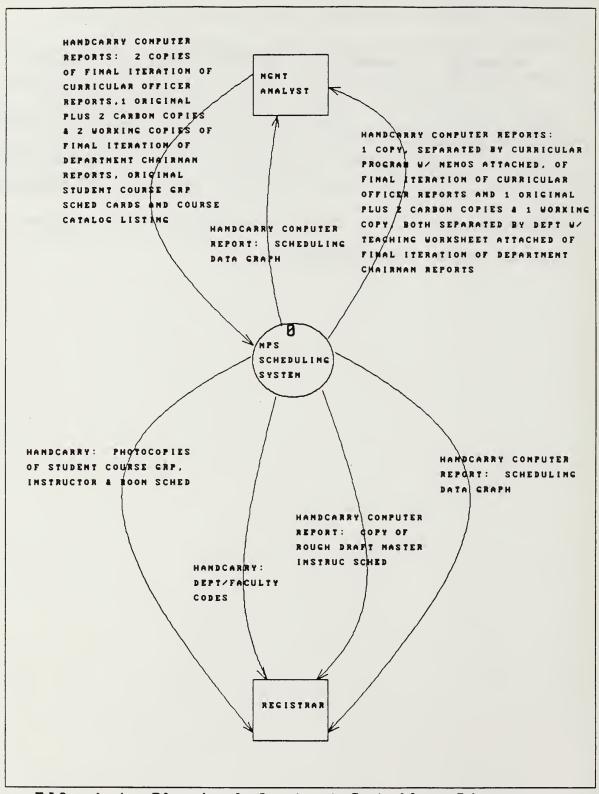


FIG. A-1, Physical Context Dataflow Diagram of the current NPS Scheduling System.

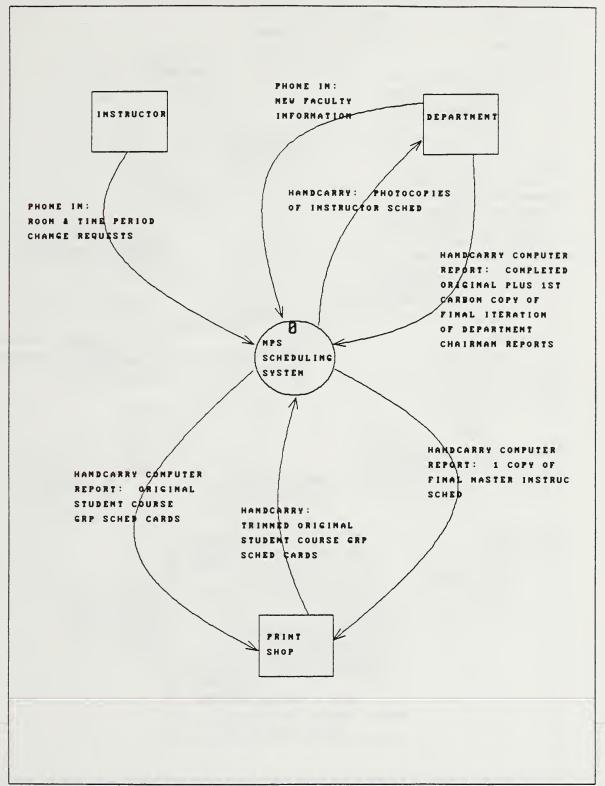


FIG. A-2, Physical Context Dataflow Diagram of the current NPS Scheduling System, cont'd.

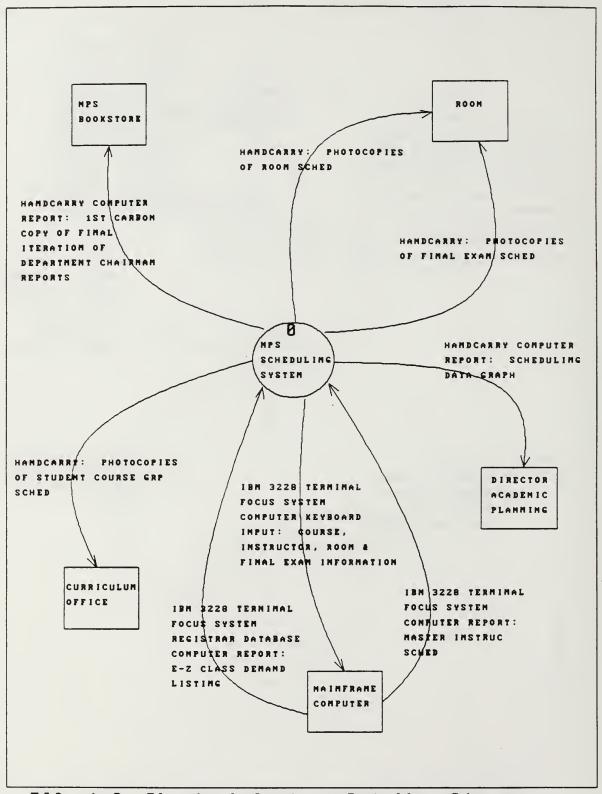


FIG. A-3, Physical Context Dataflow Diagram of the current NPS Scheduling System, cont'd.

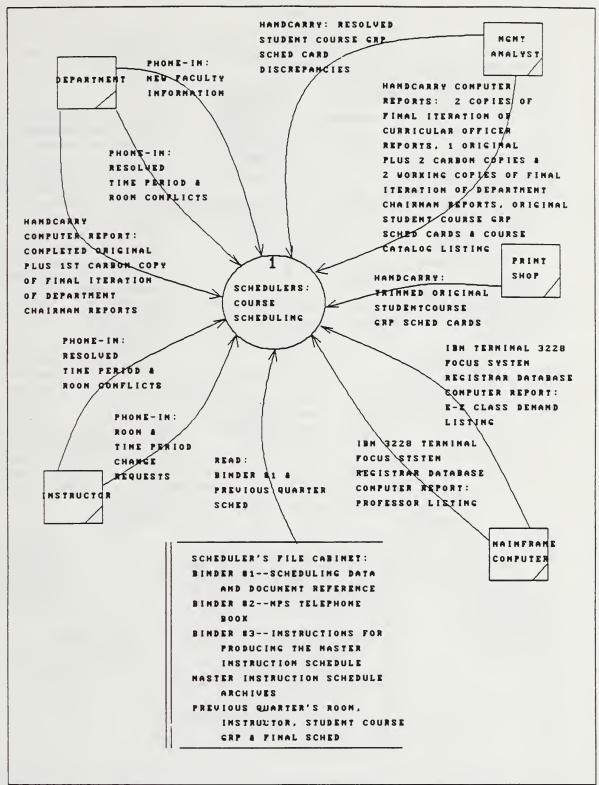


FIG. A-4, Physical Systems Dataflow Diagram of inputs to the Course Scheduling Process.

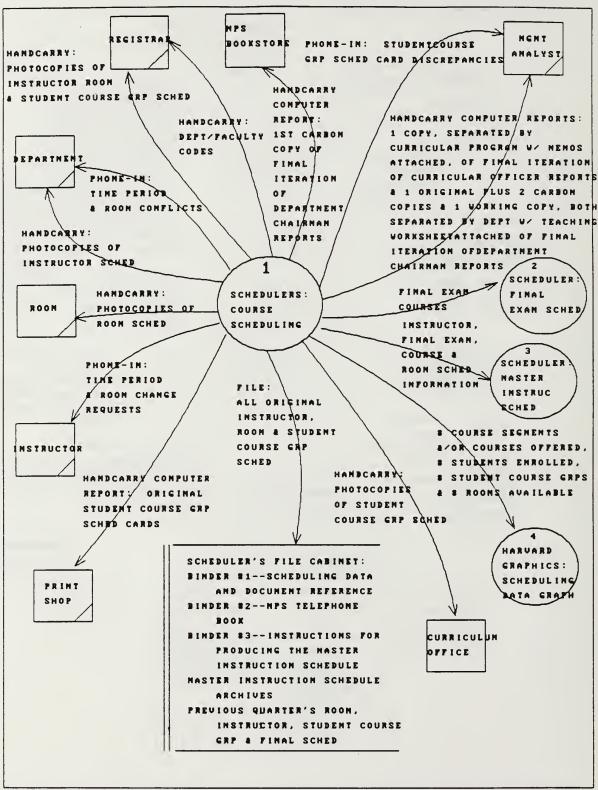


FIG. A-5, Physical Systems Dataflow Diagram of outputs from the Course Scheduling Process.

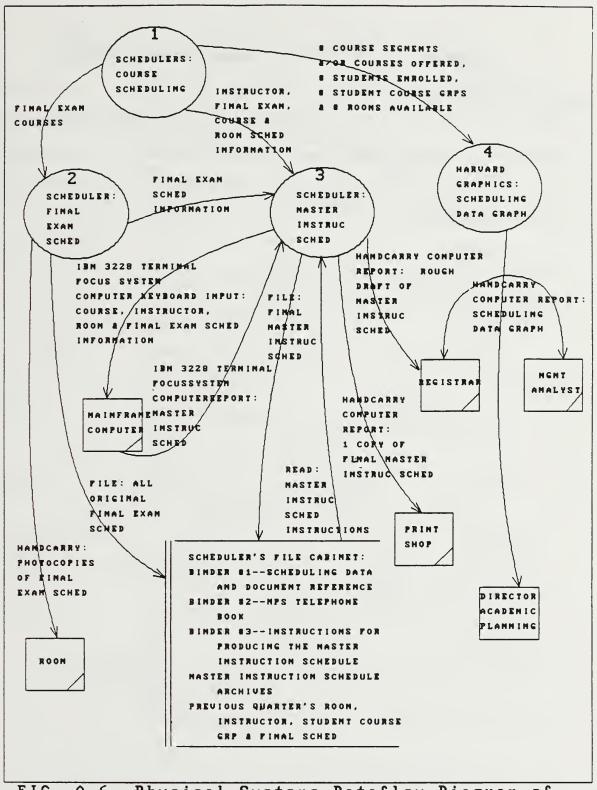


FIG. A-6, Physical Systems Dataflow Diagram of the remaining NPS Scheduling System Processes.

APPENDIX B: NPS3 ENTITY RELATIONSHIP DIAGRAMS

The following report presents the Entity Relationship Diagrams, FIG. B-1, for the proposed Naval Postgraduate School Scheduling System (NPS³). Following FIG. B-1 are the Entity definitions followed with the definitions for each of the Entity Attributes.

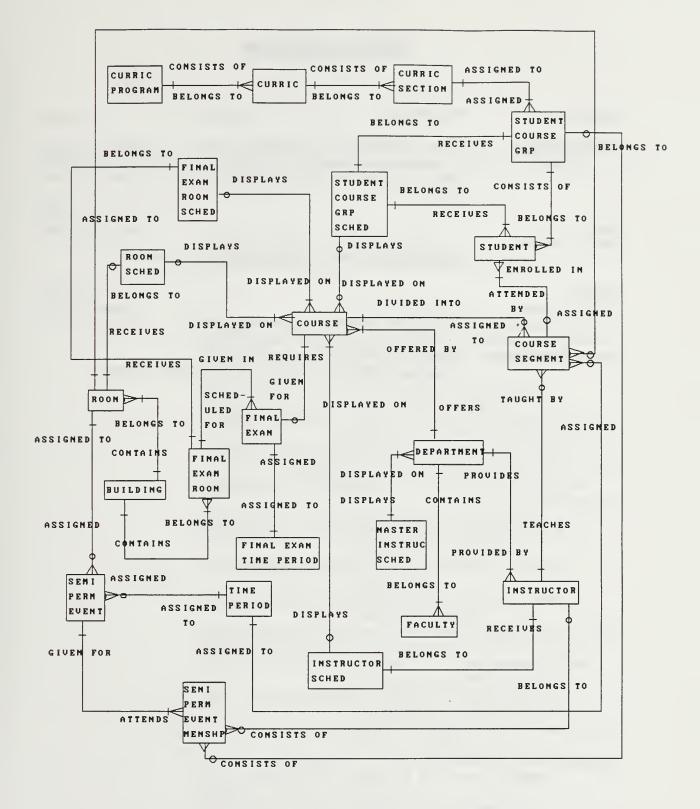


FIG. B-1, NPS Scheduling System Entity Relationship Diagram.

Entity: BUILDING

Description: This identifies the building of which

classrooms, laboratories and final exam rooms are located in during an academic quarter at

NPS.

Key

Attributes:

BUILDING_CODE; Building letter_code

Other

Attributes:

BUILDING NAME; Building name

Relationships: Always CONTAINS many ROOMs.

Always CONTAINS many FINAL EXAM ROOMs.

Entity: COURSE

This identifies the entire list of courses Description:

available at NPS based on the E-Z Demand

List.

Key Attributes:

COURSE TYPE; Course type

COURSE NUMBER; Course number code

Other Attributes:

FINAL EXAM; Final exam course indicator

REFRESHER COURSE; Refresher course indicator

NO OF SEGMENTS; Total number of course segments

LECT HRS; Course lecture credit hours

LAB HRS; Course lab credit hours

COURSE REQUIRED TIME; Scheduled required timeperiod for course indicator

INSTRUC REQUIRED TIME; Scheduled required

timeperiod for instructor indicator

DIVERSITY OF MAJORS; Diversity of majors

indicator

TECH LAB; Technical lab indicator

SIMULTANEOUS SCHED COURSE; Simultaneously

scheduled course

ACCELERATED COURSE; Accelerated course

indicator

SPECIAL ROOM REQUIREMENT; Special room

requirements

REQUIRED LAB ROOM; Required laboratory room

DEPT LTR CODEFK; Department letter code

FIN EX RM CARD NUMBER FK; Final exam room

schedule card number

SCG CARD NUMBERFK; Student course group

schedule_card_number INSTRUC_CARD_NUMBER^{FK}; Instructor_schedule

card_number
ROOM_CARD_NUMBER^{FK}; Room_schedule_card_number

QTR NUMBERFK; Schedule quarter number

YEARFK; Schedule year

COMMENTS; Scheduler course comments

STATUS; Course schedule status

Sometimes DIVIDED_INTO many COURSE_SEGMENTs. Relationships:

Always Offered_BY one DEPARTMENT.
Sometimes DISPLAYED_ON one INSTRUCTOR_SCHED.

Sometimes REQUIRES one FINAL EXAM. Sometimes DISPLAYED ON one ROOM SCHED.

Sometimes DISPLAYED ON one

FINAL EXAM ROOM SCHED.

Sometimes DISPLAYED ON one STUDENT_COURSE_GRP_SCHED.

Entity:

COURSE SEGMENT

Description:

This identifies all courses and their

corresponding course segments.

Key

Attributes:

COURSE_TYPE^{FK}; Course_type COURSE_NUMBER^{FK}; Course_number_code SEGMENT NUMBER; Course segment number

Other

Attributes:

SEGMENT STUDENTS; Course segment number of

students

LAB; Lab indicator

TEACHING TEAM; Teaching team indicator DESIGNATED STUDENT COURSE GRP; Designated

student course group for

course_segment
BUILDING_CODE^{FK}; Building_letter_code ROOM NUMBERFK; Room number in building

DAYFK; Academic day PERIOD^{FK}; Academic hour

FACULTY CODEFK; Department_faculty_code DEPT_LTR_CODEFK; Department_letter_code

STATUS; Course schedule status

Relationships:

Always ASSIGNED TO one COURSE.

Always ASSIGNED one ROOM.

Always ASSIGNED one TIME PERIOD. Always TAUGHT BY one INSTRUCTOR. Always ATTENDED BY many STUDENTs.

Entity: CURRIC

Description: Uniquely identifies a specific area of study,

at NPS, within a curriculum program.

Key

Attributes: CURRIC LTR CODE; Curriculum letter code

Other

Attributes:

PROGRAM_LTR_CODEFK; Curriculum_program_letter

_code

Relationships: Always CONSISTS_OF many CURRIC_SECTIONs.

Always BELONGS_TO one CURRIC_PROGRAM.

Entity: CURRIC_PROGRAM

Description: Uniquely identifies an overall area study, at

NPS, that may encompass many curriculums.

Key

Attributes: PROGRAM_LTR_CODE; Curriculum_program_letter

_code

Other

Attributes:

Relationships: Always CONSISTS_OF many CURRICulums.

Entity:

CURRIC SECTION

Description:

Uniquely identifies a section of students

assigned to the same curriculum.

Key

Attributes:

CURRIC_LTR_CODE^{FK}; Curriculum_letter_code SECTION_NUMBER; Curriculum_section_number

Other

Attributes:

Relationships:

Always BELONGS_TO one CURRICulum.

Always ASSIGNED_TO many STUDENT_COURSE_GRPs.

Entity: DEPARTMENT

Description: This identifies the research/teaching

organizational unit at NPS.

Key

Attributes: DEPT LTR CODE; Department letter code

Other

Attributes:

DEPT_NAME; Department_name
MSTR_INSTR_SCHD_QTR_NAME^{FK};

Master_instruction_schedule_quarter_name

MSTR_INSTR_SCHD_YEARFK;

Master_instruction_schedule_year

Relationships: Always OFFERS many COURSEs.

Always PROVIDES many INSTRUCTORs.

Always CONTAINS many FACULTY.

Always DISPLAYED ON one MASTER INSTRUC SCHED.

Entity: FACULTY

Description: This identifies the members of a particular

department.

Key

Attributes:

DEPT_LTR_CODEFK; Department letter code FACULTY CODE; Department faculty code

Other

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Attributes:

FACULTY NAME; Faculty name

ACAD_COUNCIL_MBRSHP; Academic_council membership indicator

FAC_COUNCIL_OFF_LIST; Faculty_council_officers

listing indicator

ASW MBRSHP; ASW academic group indicator EW_MBRSHP: EW_academic_group_indicator C3_MBRSHP; C3_academic_group_indicator SSAG MBRSHP; Space systems academic _group_indicator

Relationships: Always BELONGS TO one DEPARTMENT.

FINAL EXAM Entity:

This identifies a course and/or course Description:

segment that requires a final exam.

Key

Attributes:

COURSE_TYPE^{FK}; Course_type COURSE_NUMBER^{FK}; Course_number_code SEGMENT_NUMBER^{FK}; Course_segment_number

Other

Attributes:

BUILDING CODEFK; Building letter code

FINAL_EXAM_ROOM_NUMBER^{FK}; Final_exam_room
__number_in_building
FINAL_EXAM_DAY^{FK}; Final_exam_academic_day
FINAL_EXAM_PERIOD^{FK}; Final_exam_academic_hour

Relationships: Always GIVEN IN one FINAL EXAM_ROOM.

Always GIVEN FOR one COURSE.

Always ASSIGNED one FINAL EXAM TIME PERIOD.

Entity:

FINAL EXAM ROOM

Description:

This identifies the building and room in which a final exam for a course and/or course segment is given in.

Key

Attributes:

BUILDING_CODE^{FK}; Building_letter_code FINAL_EXAM_ROOM_NUMBER; Final_exam_room _number_in_building

Other

Attributes:

CAPACITY; Room_seating_capacity

ARRANGEMENT; Room_seating_arrangements FEATURES; Room_features_or_equipment

TYPE; Room type

FIN_EX_RM_CARD_NUMBER^{FK}; Final_exam_room schedule card number

Relationships:

Always SCHEDULED FOR many FINAL EXAMs.

Always BELONGS TO one BUILDING.

Always RECEIVES one FINAL EXAM ROOM SCHED.

Entity: FINAL_EXAM_ROOM_SCHED

Description: This identifies the final exam schedule for

a final exam room.

Key

Attributes:

FIN_EX_RM_CARD_NUMBER; Final_exam_room schedule card number

QTR NUMBER; Schedule quarter number

YEAR; Schedule year

Other

Attributes:

BUILDING_CODE^{FK}; Building_letter_code FINAL_EXAM_ROOM_NUMBER^{FK}; Final_exam_room

_number_in_building

Relationships: Always DISPLAYS many COURSEs.

Always BELONGS TO one FINAL EXAM ROOM.

FINAL EXAM TIME PERIOD Entity:

This identifies the scheduled day and time Description:

that a final exam is given in a final exam

room.

Key

Attributes: FINAL EXAM DAY; Final exam academic day

FINAL EXAM PERIOD; Final exam academic hour

Other

Attributes:

COURSE_TYPE^{FK}; Course_type COURSE_NUMBER^{FK}; Course_number_code SEGMENT_NUMBER^{FK}; Course_segment_number

Relationships: Always ASSIGNED TO one FINAL EXAM.

Entity:

INSTRUCTOR

Description:

This identifies the person who teaches a particular course and/or course segment.

Key

Attributes:

DEPT_LTR_CODE^{FK}; Department_letter_code
FACULTY_CODE; Department_faculty_code

Other

Attributes:

INSTRUC_NAME; Instructor_name

DEPT_CHAIR_OR_DEAN; Department_chairman_or

dean_indicator

ACAD_COUNCIL_MBRSHP; Academic_council

membership indicator

FAC COUNCIL OFF LIST; Faculty council

_officers_listing_indicator

ASW_MBRSHP; ASW_academic_group_indicator EW_MBRSHP: EW_academic_group_indicator C3_MBRSHP; C3_academic_group_indicator SSAG_MBRSHP; Space_systems_academic

group indicator

INSTRUC CARD_NUMBERFK; Instructor_schedule

_card number

Relationships:

Always PROVIDED BY one DEPARTMENT.

Sometimes TEACHES many COURSE SEGMENTs.

Sometimes BELONGS_TO many SEMI PERM EVENT MEMSHPs.

Always RECEIVES one INSTRUCTOR SCHED.

Entity:

INSTRUCTOR SCHED

Description:

This identifies the schedule for an Instructor during a given quarter.

Key

Attributes:

INSTRUC CARD NUMBER; Instructor schedule

card number

QTR_NUMBER; Schedule_quarter_number

YEAR; Schedule year

Other

Attributes:

DEPT_LTR_CODE^{FK}; Department_letter_code
FACULTY_CODE^{FK}; Department_faculty_code

INSTRUC NAME; Instructor name

Relationships:

Always BELONGS TO one INSTRUCTOR.

Always DISPLAYS many COURSEs.

Entity: MASTER INSTRUC SCHED

Description: This identifies the schedule for all courses

offered during a given quarter.

Key

Attributes:

MSTR_INSTR_SCHD_QTR_NAME; Master_instruction

schedule quarter name

MSTR INSTR SCHD YEAR; Master instruction

schedule year

Other

Attributes:

Relationships: Always DISPLAYS many DEPARTMENTs.

Entity: ROOM

Description: This identifies a classroom or a laboratory

that a course or course segment is taught in.

Key

Attributes:

BUILDING_CODE^{FK}; Building_letter_code ROOM NUMBER; Room number_in_building

Other

Attributes:

CAPACITY; Room_seating_capacity

ARRANGEMENT; Room_seating_arrangements FEATURES; Room_features_or_equipment

TYPE; Room_type

ROOM CARD NUMBER; Room schedule

card number

Relationships: Sometimes ASSIGNED TO many COURSE SEGMENTS.

Sometimes RECEIVES one ROOM_SCHED. Always BELONGS TO one BUILDING.

Sometimes ASSIGNED TO many SEMI PERM EVENTs.

Entity: ROOM_SCHED

Description: This identifies the schedule for a given

classroom or laboratory.

Key Attributes:

ROOM CARD NUMBER; Room schedule card number

QTR NUMBER; Schedule quarter number

YEAR; Schedule year

Other

Attributes:

BUILDING_CODEFK; Building_letter_code

ROOM_NUMBERFK; Room_number_in_building

Relationships: Always BELONGS_TO one ROOM.

Always DISPLAYS many COURSEs.

Entity: SEMI PERM EVENT

This identifies an event that is scheduled Description:

during the same time period every quarter.

Key

Attributes:

EVENT_TYPE; Semi_permanent_event_type

EVENT_NAME; Semi permanent event name

Other

Attributes:

BUILDING_CODEFK; Building_letter_code ROOM_NUMBERFK; Room_number_in_building

DAY^{FK}; Academic day PERIOD^{FK}; Academic_hour

Relationships: Always ASSIGNED one ROOM.

> Always GIVEN FOR many SEMI PERM EVENT MEMSHPs.

Always ASSIGNED one TIME PERIOD.

Entity: SEMI PERM EVENT MEMSHP

Description: This identifies the membership for a semi

permanent event at NPS.

Key

Attributes:

EVENT_TYPE^{FK}; Semi_permanent_event_type
EVENT_NAME^{FK}; Semi_permanent_event_name
FACULTY_CODE^{FK}; Department_faculty_code
DEPT_LTR_CODE^{FK}; Department_letter_code
CURRIC_LTR_CODE^{FK}; Curriculum_letter_code
SECTION_NUMBER^{FK}; Curriculum_section_number

GROUP_NUMBER^{FK}; Curriculum_student __course_group_number

Other

Attributes:

Relationships: Always ATTENDS one SEMI_PERM_EVENT.

Sometimes CONSISTS OF one INSTRUCTOR.

Sometimes CONSISTS OF one

STUDENT COURSE GRP.

Entity: STUDENT

Description: This identifies a person attending a course

of instruction at NPS.

Key

Attributes:

STUD_SSN; Student_social_security_number

Other

Attributes:

STUD_NAME; Student_name

CURRIC_LTR_CODE^{FK}; Curriculum_letter_code SECTION_NUMBER^{FK}; Curriculum_section_number

GROUP_NUMBER^{FK}; Curriculum_student course_group_number SCG_CARD_NUMBER^{FK}; Student_course

____group schedule card number

QTR NUMBERFK; Schedule quarter number

YEARFK; Schedule_year

COURSE_TYPE^{FK}; Course_type COURSE_NUMBER^{FK}; Course_number_code SEGMENT_NUMBER^{FK}; Course_segment_number

Relationships: Always BELONGS TO one STUDENT COURSE GRP.

Always RECEIVES one STUDENT_COURSE_GRP_SCHED. Sometimes ENROLLED IN one COURSE SEGMENT.

Entity: STUDENT_COURSE_GRP

Description: This identifies the group of students taking

the same courses during a quarter at NPS.

Key

Attributes:

CURRIC_LTR_CODE^{FK}; Curriculum_letter_code SECTION NUMBER^{FK}; Curriculum section_number

GROUP_NUMBER; Curriculum_student course group number

Other

Attributes:

GROUP_STUDENTS; Curriculum_student

____course_group_number_of_students UNUSUAL_COURSE_COMBINATION; Unusual_course

_combination_indicator

Relationships: Always ASSIGNED one CURRIC_SECTION.

Always CONSISTS OF many STUDENTs (may consist

of one student).

Sometimes BELONGS_TO many SEMI_PERM_EVENT_MEMSHPs.

Always RECEIVES one STUDENT COURSE GRP SCHED.

ENTITY DEFINITION

STUDENT COURSE GRP SCHED Entity:

This identifies the schedule for students Description:

taking the same courses during a quarter at

NPS.

Key

Attributes:

SCG CARD NUMBER; Student_course_group

schedule card number

QTR NUMBER; Schedule quarter number

YEAR; Schedule year

Other

Attributes:

CURRIC_LTR_CODE^{FK}; Curriculum_letter_code SECTION_NUMBER^{FK}; Curriculum_section_number

GROUP NUMBERFK; Curriculum student course group number

Relationships: Always BELONGS TO many STUDENTS (may belong

to one student).

Sometimes DISPLAYS many COURSEs.

Always BELONGS TO one STUDENT COURSE GRP.

ENTITY DEFINITION

Entity: TIME PERIOD

This identifies the day and time that a Description:

course, course segment or semi permanent

event is scheduled.

Key

Attributes:

DAY; Academic_day PERIOD; Academic_hour

Other

Attributes:

Sometimes ASSIGNED_TO many SEMI_PERM_EVENTS. Sometimes ASSIGNED_TO many COURSE_SEGMENTS. Relationships:

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITIONS

Academic council membership indicator:

Text 1, Mask X

where X is Y or N

Indicates membership in Academic Council

Academic_day:

Text 9

Name of the day of the academic week

Academic hour:

Numeric 1

Hour-long period during the academic day

Accelerated course indicator:

Text 1, Mask X,

where X is Y or N

Indicates courses normally scheduled for double the course load

ASW_academic_group_indicator:

Text 1, Mask X

where X is Y or N

Indicates membership in ASW academic group

Building_letter_code:

Text 1

First letter of the name of a particular academic building

Building name:

Text 20

Name of an academic building

C3_academic_group_indicator:

Text 1, Mask X

where X is Y or N

Indicates membership in C3 academic group

Course lab credit hours:

Numeric 1

Number of credit hours assigned to the lab component of a course or its course segment

Course lecture credit hours:

Numeric 1

Number of credit hours assigned to the lecture component of a course or its course segment

Course number code:

Numeric 4, Mask NXXX

where N is 0-4, XXX is course code

Number code assigned to a course

Course schedule status code:

Text 4

Status of the scheduling of a course

Course_segment_number:

Numeric 2

Number of the segment into which a course has been divided

Course_segment_number_of_students:

Numeric 3

Number of students assigned to a course segment

Course_type:

Text 2

Code for the type subject a course teaches

Curriculum letter code:

Text $\overline{2}$

Letter code for a curriculum within a curriculum program

Curriculum program letter_code:

Text 2

Letter code for a curriculum program

Curriculum section number:

Numeric 2

Number code for a section within a curriculum

Curriculum_student_course group number:

Numeric 2

Number of a student course group within a curriculum section

Curriculum student course group number of students:

Numeric 2

Number of students in a student course group

Department chairman or dean indicator:

Text 1, Mask X

where X is Y of N

Indicates Instructor who ius Department chairman of Dean

Department_faculty_code:

Text $\frac{1}{2}$

Code used to identify each faculty member

Department letter_code:

Text 2

Alpha code used to identify each department

Department name:

Text 25

Name of department

Designated student course group for course segment:

Text 6, Mask XX YY ZZ

where XX is curriculum letter code, YY is curriculum section number and ZZ is curriculum student course group number

Designates students to be placed in specific course segments

Diversity of majors indicator:

Text 1, Mask X

where X is Y or N

Indicates that the course has a diversity of majors in its enrollment

EW academic group indicator:

Text 1, Mask X

where X is Y or N

Indicates membership in EW academic group

Faculty_council_officers_ listing_indicator:

Text 1, Mask X

where X is Y or N

Indicates membership in Provost and Superintendent council

Faculty name:

Text 15

First 13 letters of faculty member last name, 1st letter of faculty member first name and 1st letter of faculty member middle name

Name of faculty member

Final_exam_academic_day:

Text 9

Name of the day of final's week

Final exam academic hour:

Text 1

Hour-long period during final's week

Final exam course indicator:

Text 1, Mask X

where X is Y or N

Indicates final exam requirement for course

Final_exam_room_number_in_building:

Text 4, Mask NNNA

where NNA is the sequential number of a room and A is a letter designator for a subdivision of a room

Number assigned to a room in a building used for a final exam

Final_exam_room_schedule_card_number:

Numeric 4

Sequential number of a final exam schedule card in a set of final exam schedule cards

Instructor name:

Text 15

First 13 letters of instructor last name, 1st letter of instructor first name and 1st letter of instructor middle name

Name of an instuctor

Instructor schedule card number:

Numeric 4

Sequential number of an instructor schedule card in a set of instructor schedule cards

Lab indicator:

Text 1, Mask X

where X is Y or N

Indicates that the particular course segment is a laboratory

Master_instruction_schedule_year:

Numeric 4

Year for which the Master Instruction schedule is written

Master_instruction_schedule_quarter_name:

Text 6

Name of the season at the beginning of the quarter of the academic year

Refresher course indicator:

Text 1, Mask X

where X is Y or N

Indicates a course is a refresher course

Required laboratory room:

Text 6, Mask X-NNNA

where X is first letter of building, NNN is sequential number of a room and A is letter designator for a room subdivision

Number assigned to a required laboratory room for a course lab

Room_features_or_equipment

Text 20

Description of features of qpuipment about a room that distinguish it from ther rooms

Room number in building:

Text 4, Mask NNNA

where NNN is sequential number of a room, A is letter designator for a room subdivision

Room schedule card number:

Numeric $\overline{4}$

Sequential number of a room schedule card in a set of room schedule cards

Room seating arrangements:

Text 1, Mask X

where X is values T(tables and chairs) or D(desks) seating arrangements for students taught in a room

Room_seating_capacity:

Numeric 3

Number of chairs with table space or desks or standing room; functional student capacity

Room_type:

Text 2, Mask XX

where XX is values CR (classroom) or LB (laboratory) or SC (secure class) or SL (secure lab)

Specifies the type of room

Schedule quarter number:

Numeric 1

Sequential number of a quarter in a schedule year

Schedule year:

Numeric 4

Year for which a schedule is written

Scheduled required timeperiod for instructor indicator:

Text 1, Mask \overline{X}

where X is Y or N

Indicates that course has a required timeperiod for the instructor

Scheduled required timeperiod for course indicator:

Text 1, Mask \overline{X}

where X is Y or N

Indicates that course has a required timeperiod

Scheduler course comments:

Text 50

Comments from course schedulers regarding course

Semi permanent event name:

Text 10

First 10 letters of a semi permanent event name (e.g. Dept mtg)

Semi_permanent_event_type:

Text 2

Code for the type semi permanent event schedule

Simultaneously scheduled course:

Text 7, Mask XX-NYYY

where XX is course type, N is O-4 and YYY is course code

Identifies a course that simultaneously scheduled with the course in question

Space_systems_academic_indicator:

Text 1, Mask X

where X is Y or N

Indicates membership in Space systems academic gruop

Special_room_requirements:

Text 20

Special room features that a given course requires (eg computor terminals, classified rooms, NSA map rooms)

Student course group schedule card number:

Numeric 4

Sequential number of a student course group schedule card in a set of student course group schedule cards

Student name:

Text 15

First 13 letters of student last name, first letter of student first name, first letter of student middle name

Student social security number:

Numeric 9

Social security number of a person

Teaching_team indicator:

Text 1, Mask X

where X is Y or N

Indicates a course is taught by a team of instructors

Technical lab indicator:

Text 1, Mask X

where X is Y or N

Indicates that a course labortary is technical in nature

Total number of_course_segments:

Numeric 1

Total number of course segments a course is divided into

Unusual_course_combination_indicator:

Text 1, Mask X

where X is Y or N

Indicates unusual course combinations for a student course group

APPENDIX C: NPS3 LOGICAL DATA FLOW DIAGRAMS

In an attempt to gain a more detailed description of the NPS Scheduling System user requirements presented by Nolan and Youngblood, and to enhance possible alternative implementation solutions, the logical dataflow diagrams for NPS³ are presented in FIG. C-1 thru FIG. C-38. The Demarco-Yourdon system for dataflow diagrams is used.

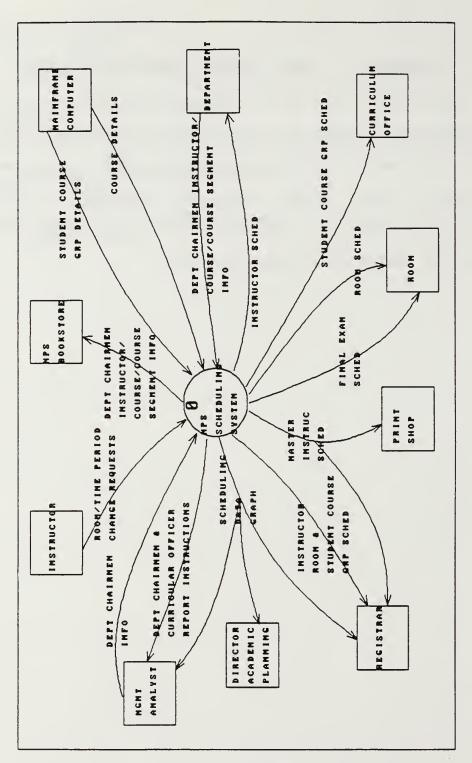


FIG. C-1, Logical Context Dataflow Diagram of the target NPS Scheduling System.

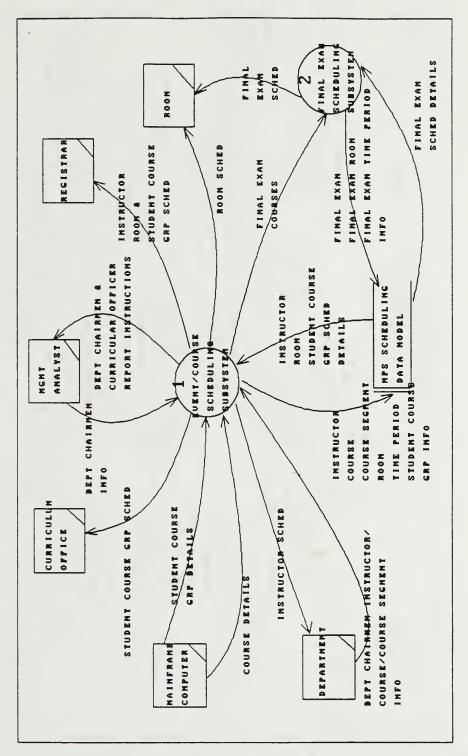


FIG. C-2, Logical Systems Dataflow Diagram of the target NPS Scheduling System.

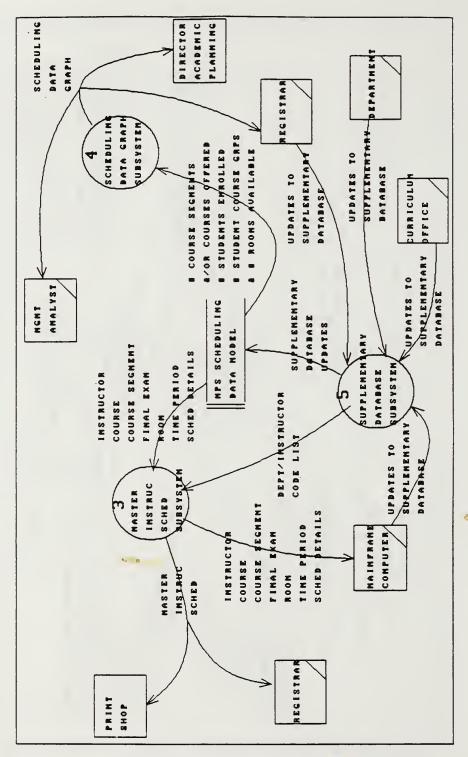


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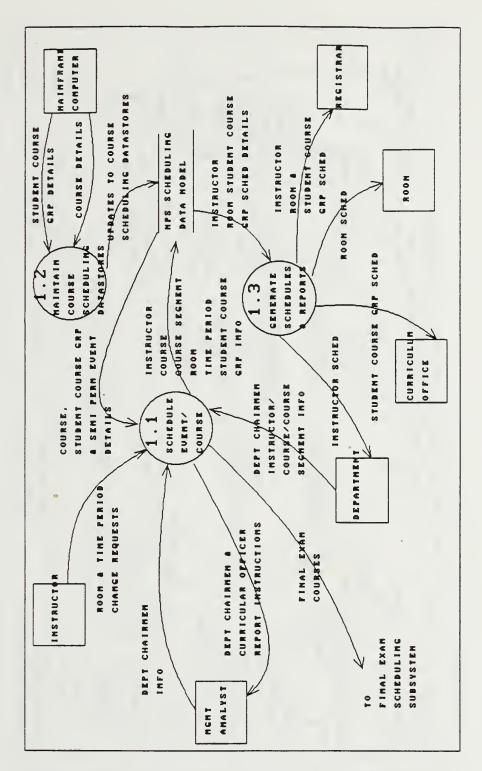


FIG. C-4, Logical Dataflow Diagram for the target Event/Course Scheduling Subsystem.

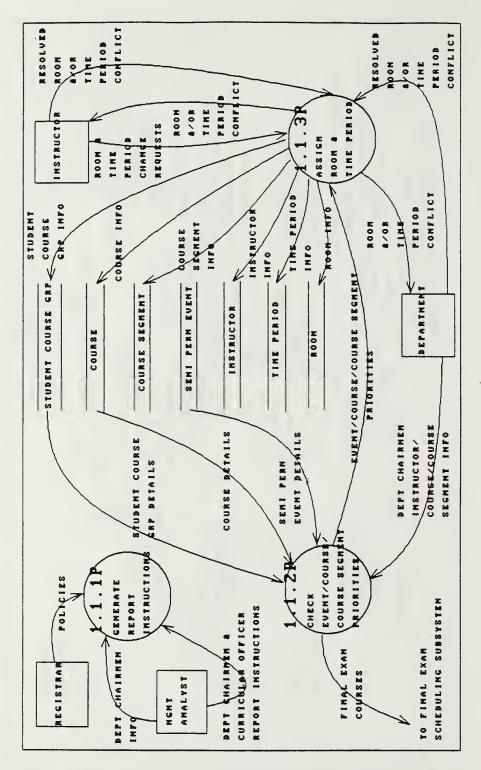


FIG. C-5, Logical Dataflow Diagram for Event/Course Scheduling.

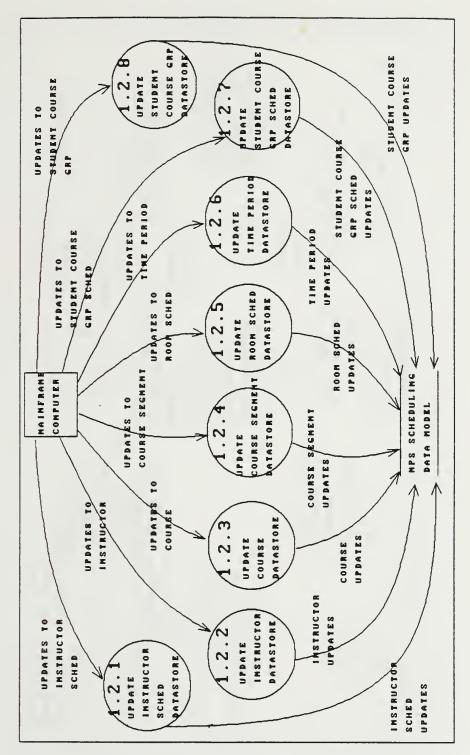


FIG. C-6, Logical Dataflow Diagram for Scheduling Data Maintenance.

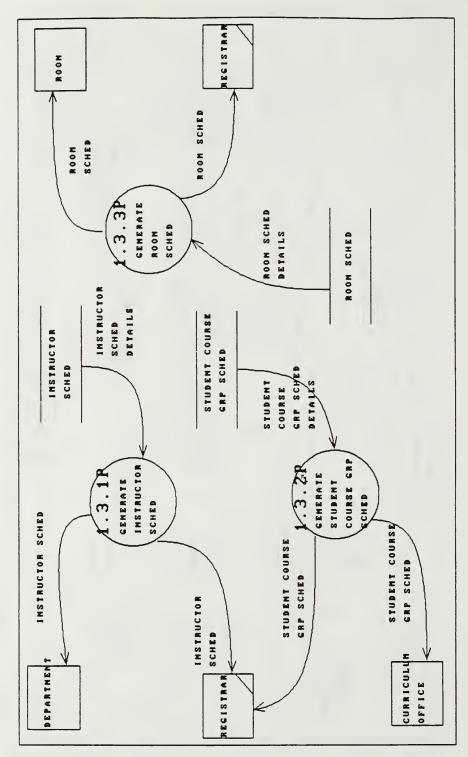


FIG. C-7, Logical Dataflow Diagram for the target Schedules and Reporting support.

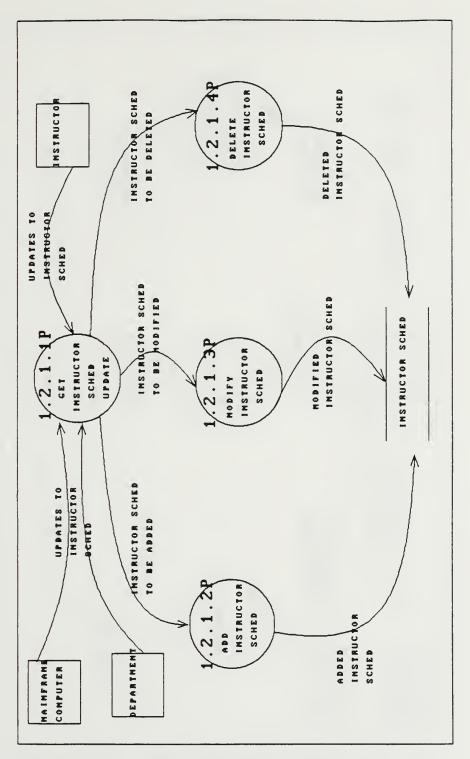


FIG. C-8, Logical Dataflow Diagram for INSTRUCTOR SCHED Data Store Maintenance.

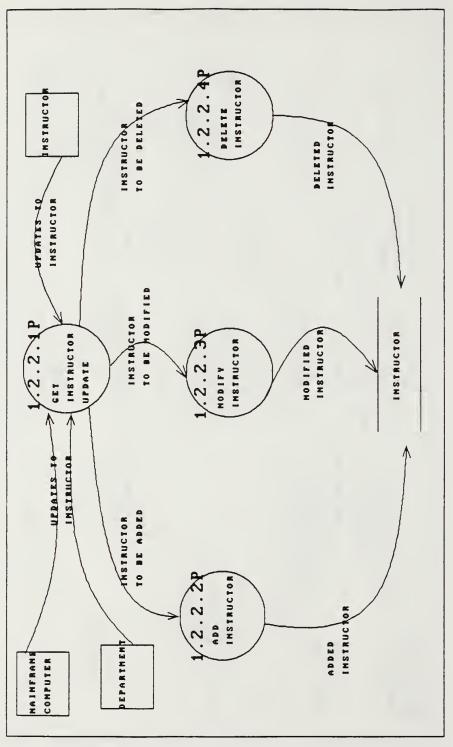


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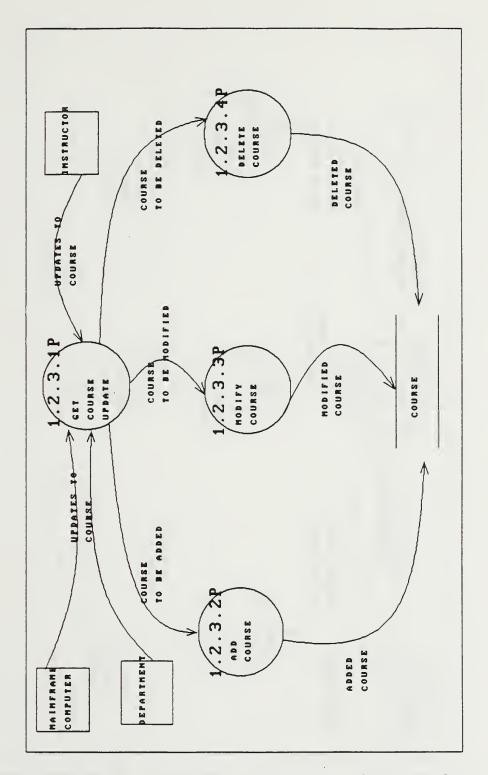


FIG. C-10, Logical Dataflow Diagram for COURSE Data Store Maintenance.

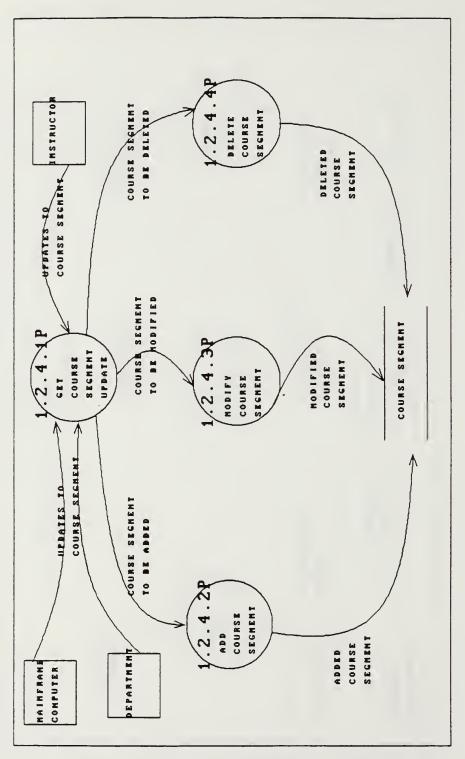


FIG. C-11, Logical Dataflow Diagram for COURSE SEGMENT Data Store Maintenance.

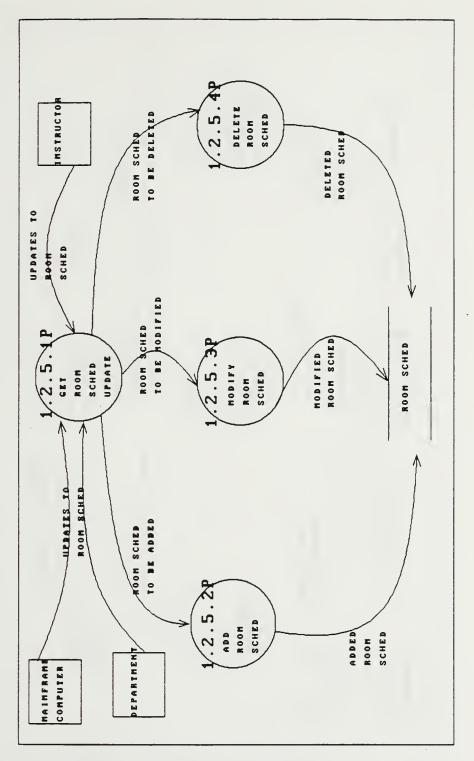


FIG. C-12, Logical Dataflow Diagram for ROOM SCHED Data Store Maintenance.

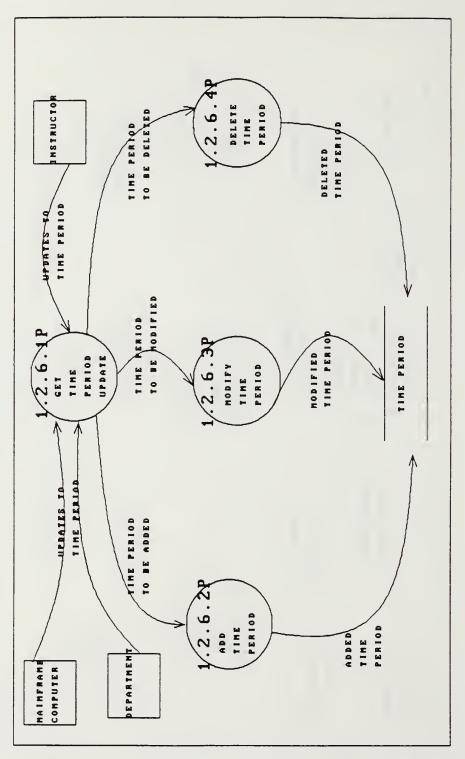


FIG. C-13, Logical Dataflow Diagram for TIME PERIOD Data Store Maintenance.

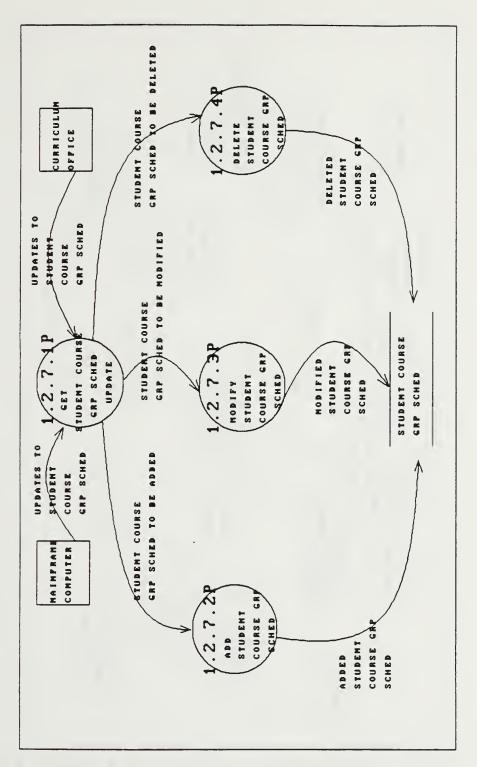


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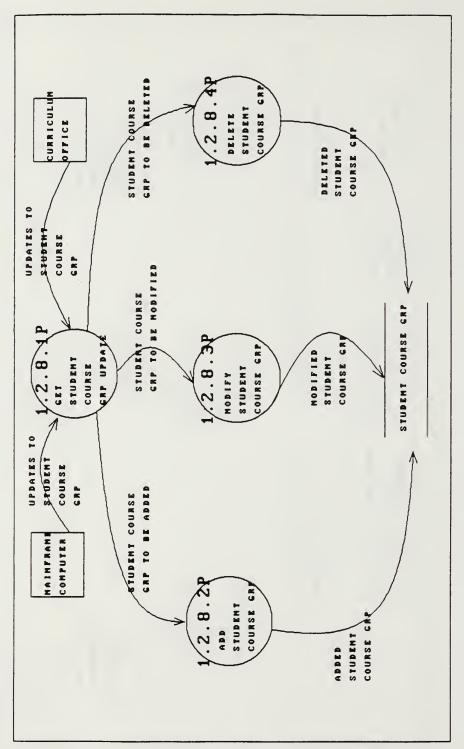


FIG. C-15, Logical Dataflow Diagram for STUDENT COURSE GRP Data Store Maintenance.

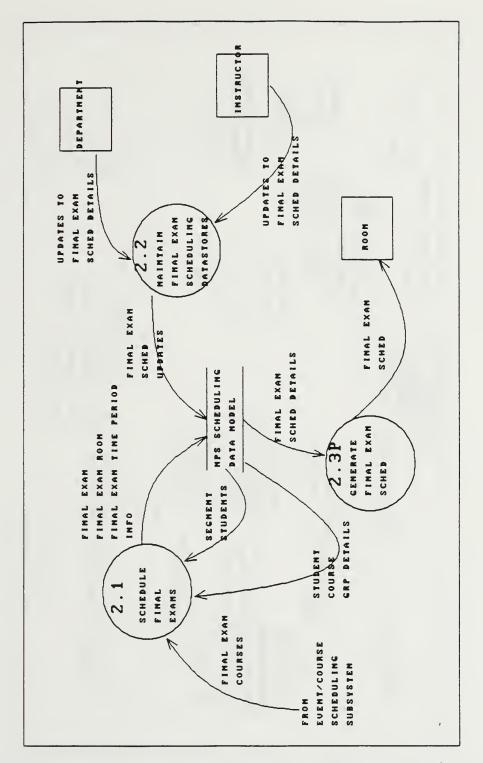


FIG. C-16, Logical Dataflow Diagram for the target Final Exam Scheduling Subsystem.

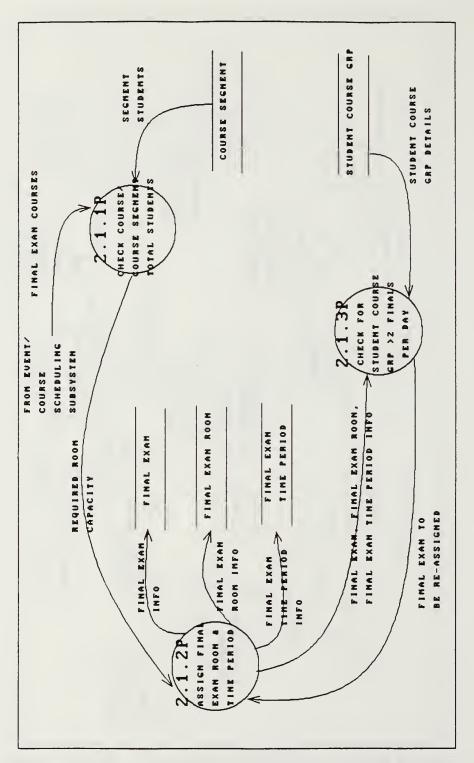


FIG. C-17, Logical Dataflow Diagram for the target Final Exam Scheduling.

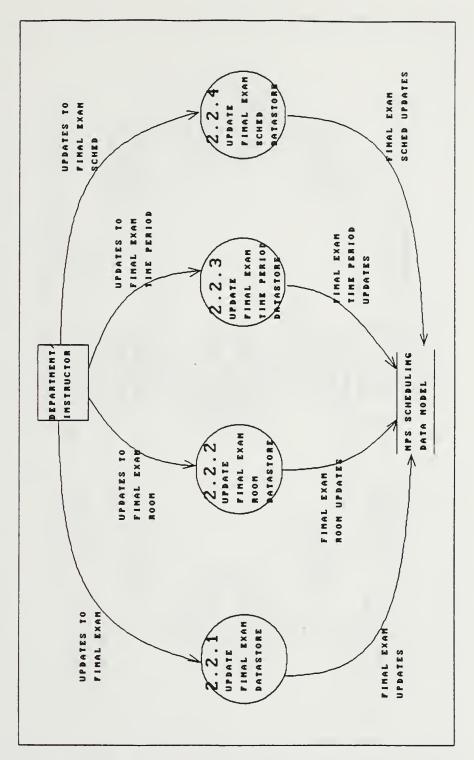


FIG. C-18, Logical Dataflow Diagram for the target Final Exam Data Maintenance.

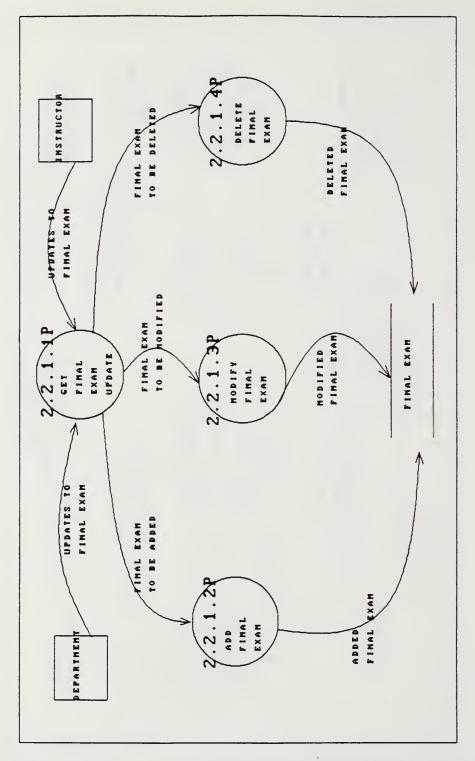


FIG. C-19, Logical Dataflow Diagram for FINAL EXAM Data Store Maintenance.

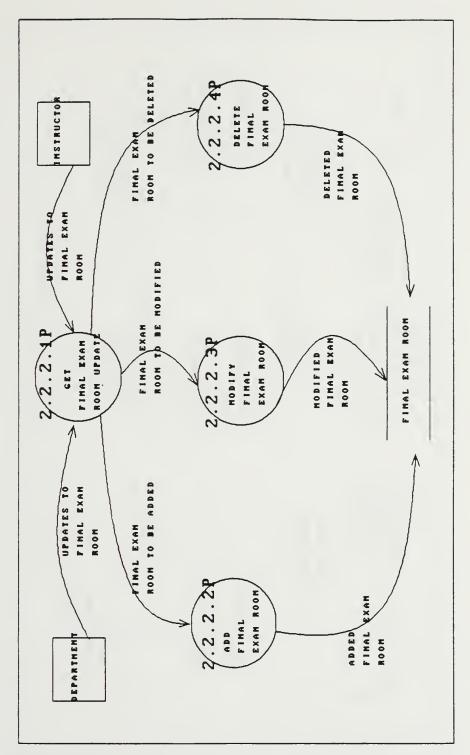


FIG. C-20, Logical Dataflow Diagram for FINAL EXAM ROOM Data Store Maintenance.

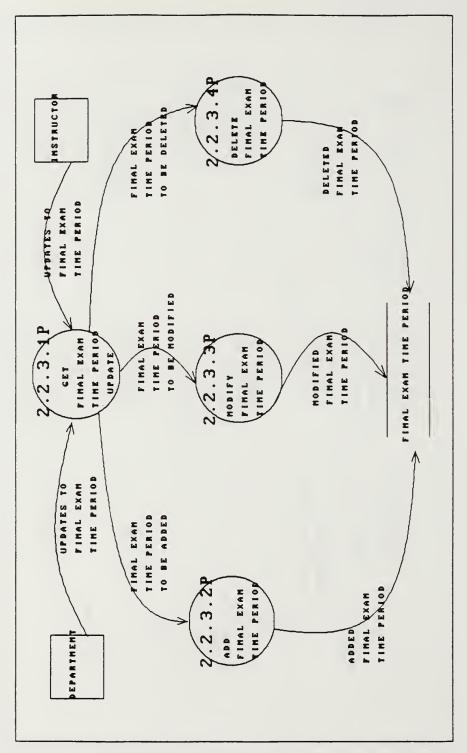


FIG. C-21, Logical Dataflow Diagram for FINAL EXAM TIME PERIOD Data Store Maintenance.

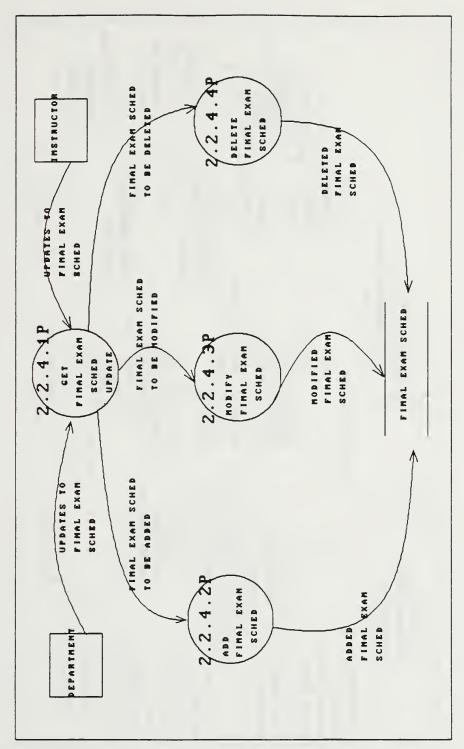


FIG. C-22, Logical Dataflow Diagram for FINAL EXAM SCHED Data Store Maintenance.

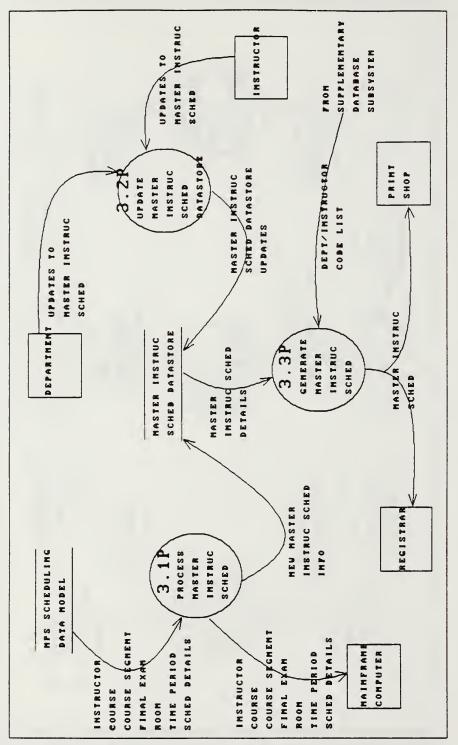


FIG. C-23, Logical Dataflow Diagram for the target Master Instruction Schedule Subsystem.

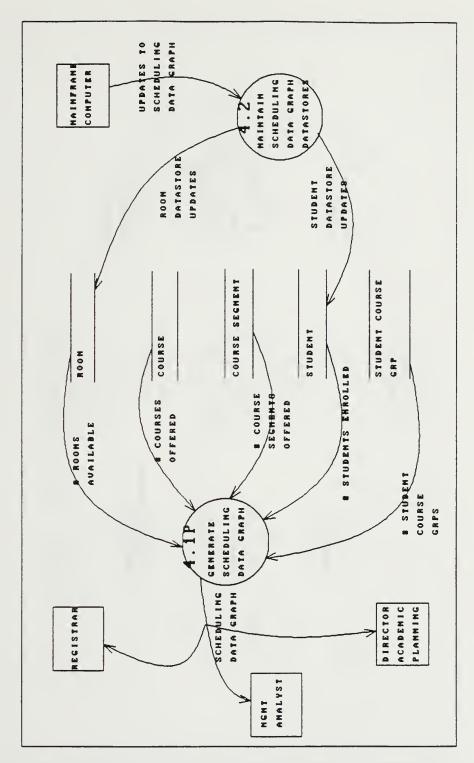


FIG. C-24, Logical Dataflow Diagram for the target Scheduling Data Graph Subsystem.

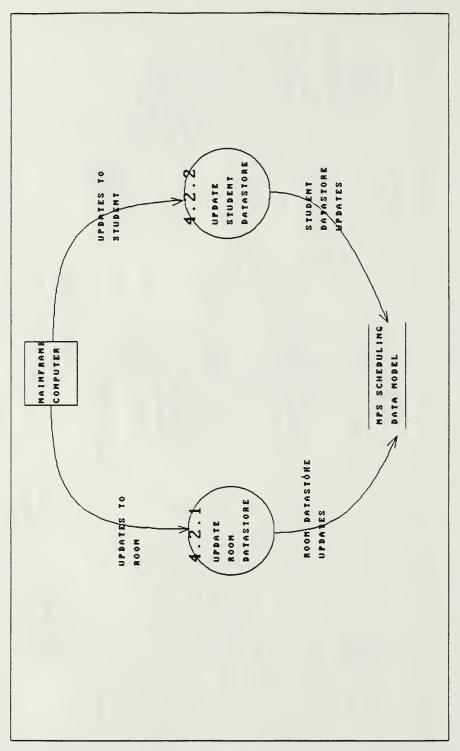


FIG. C-25, Logical Dataflow Diagram for Scheduling Data Graph Data Maintenance.

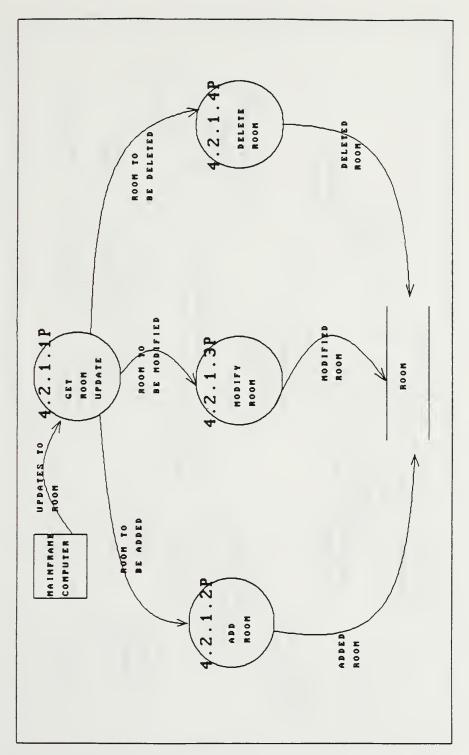


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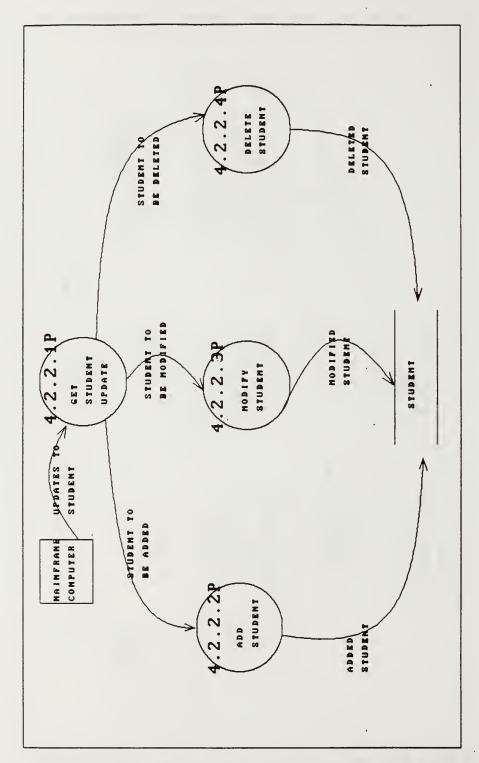


FIG. C-27, Logical Dataflow Diagram for STUDENT Data Store Maintenance.

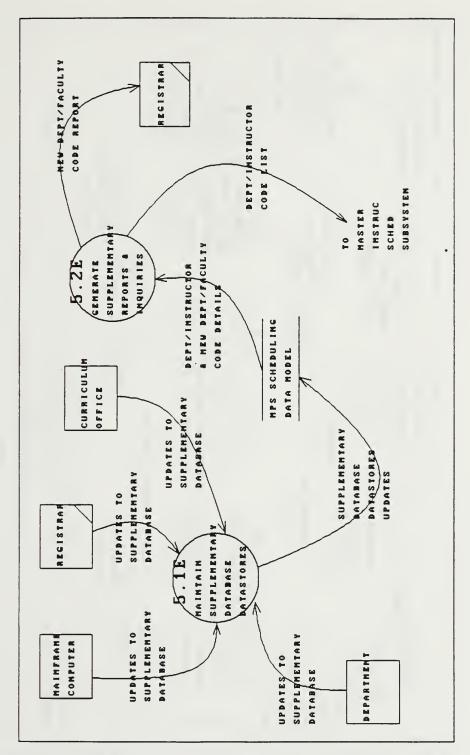


FIG. C-28, Logical Dataflow Diagram for the target Supplementary Database Subsystem.

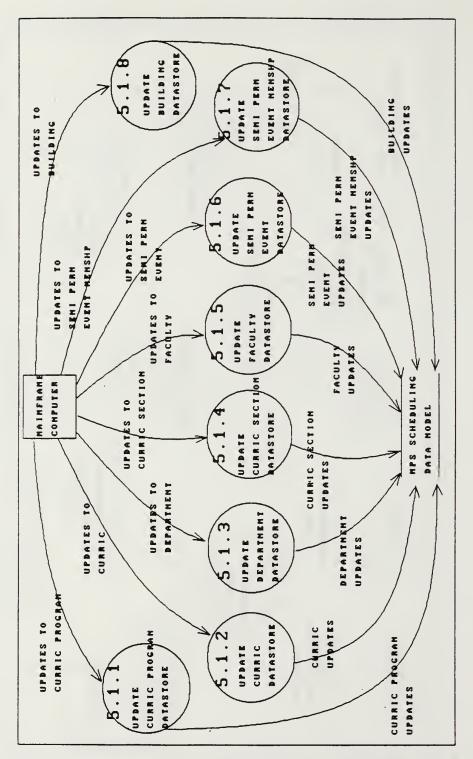


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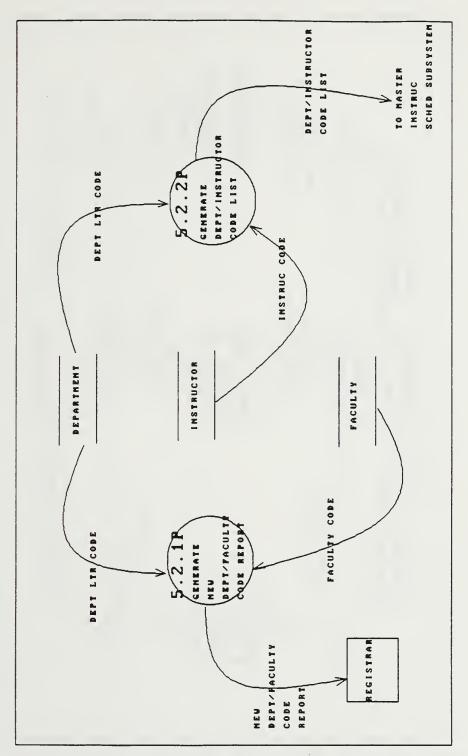


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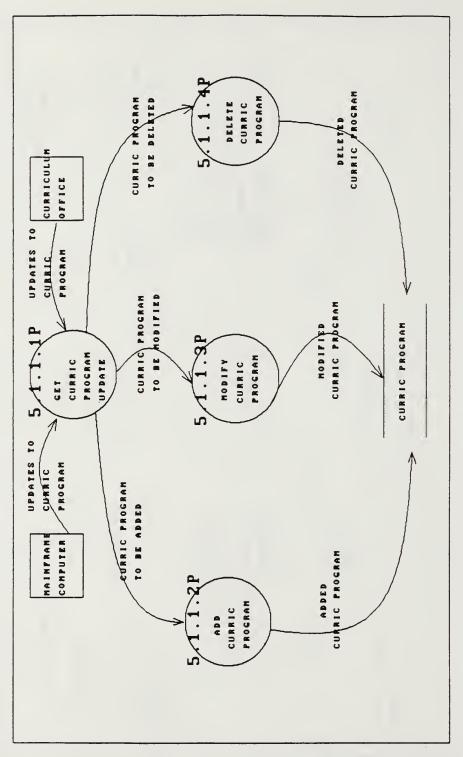


FIG. C-31, Logical Dataflow Diagram for CURRIC PROGRAM Data Store Maintenance.

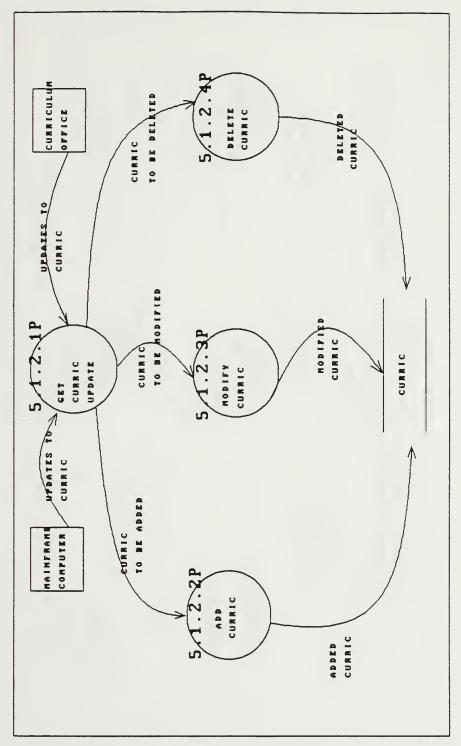


FIG. C-32, Logical Dataflow Diagram for CURRIC Data Store Maintenance.

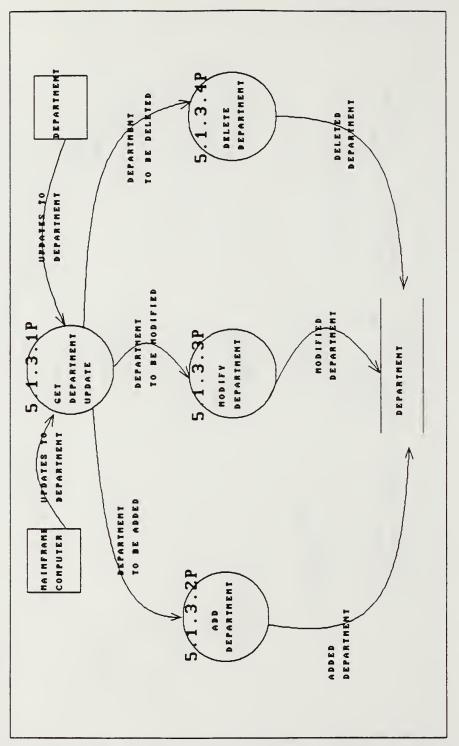


FIG. C-33, Logical Dataflow Diagram for DEPARTMENT Data Store Maintenance.

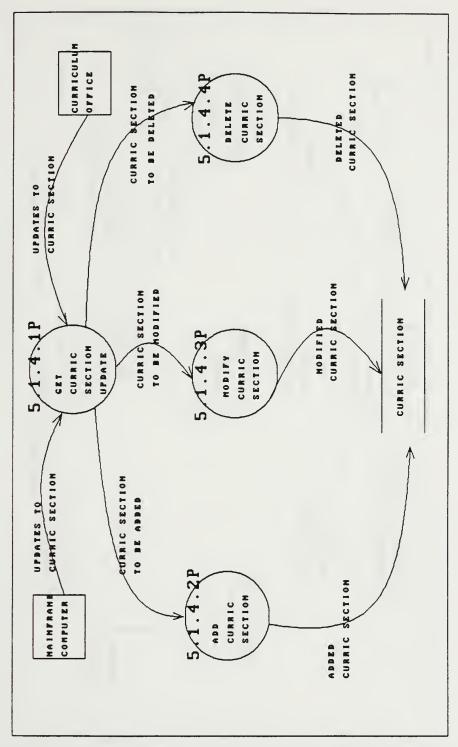


FIG. C-34, Logical Dataflow Diagram for CURRIC SECTION Data Store Maintenance.

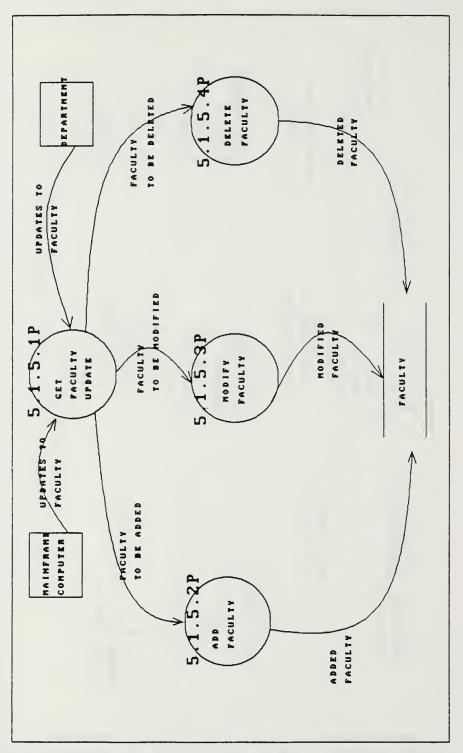


FIG. C-35, Logical Dataflow Diagram for FACULTY Data Store Maintenance.

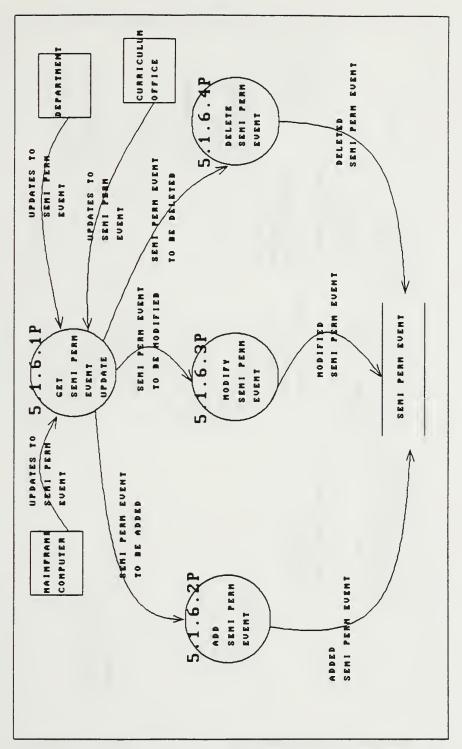


FIG. C-36, Logical Dataflow Diagram for SEMI PERM EVENT Data Store Maintenance.

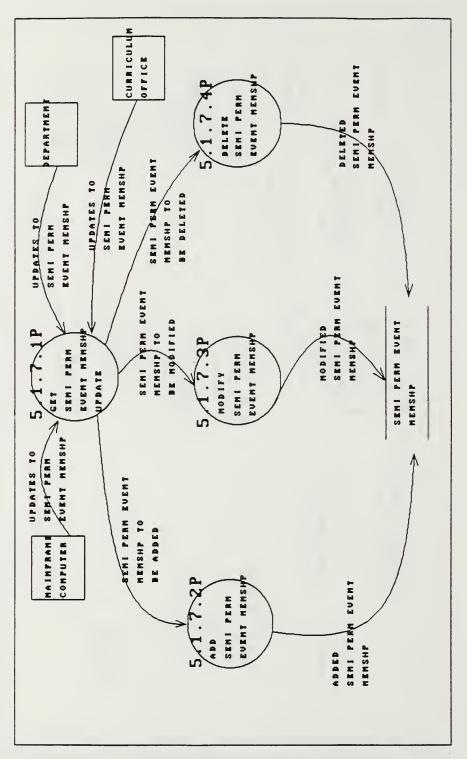


FIG. C-37, Logical Dataflow Diagram for SEMI PERM EVENT MEMSHP Data Store Maintenance.

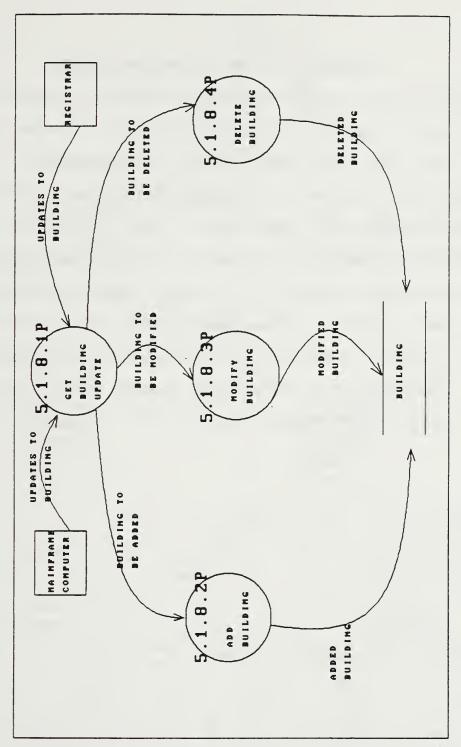


FIG. C-38, Logical Dataflow Diagram for BUILDING Data Store Maintenance.

APPENDIX D: NPS3 STRUCTURE CHARTS

The following report graphically depicts a computer system structured design, in the form of structure charts, FIG. D-1 thru FIG D-44, for implementing the requirements for the scheduling of courses at the Naval Postgraduate School.

The design of the Final Exam Scheduling, Master Instruction Schedule and Scheduling Data Graph applications are beyond the scope of this thesis and are therefore not addressed, except to show there organization in FIG. D-1 as #'s 5, 6 and 7, respectively. Although not addressed here, the advantages of structured Design allow for these applications to be easily added to NPS³ in the future.

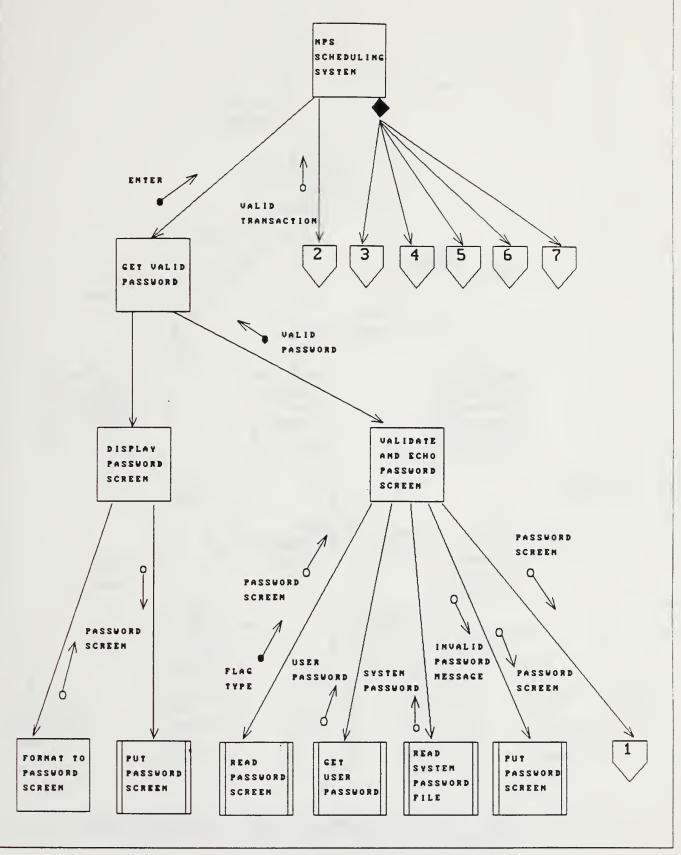


Fig. D-1, NPS SCHEDULING SYSTEM.

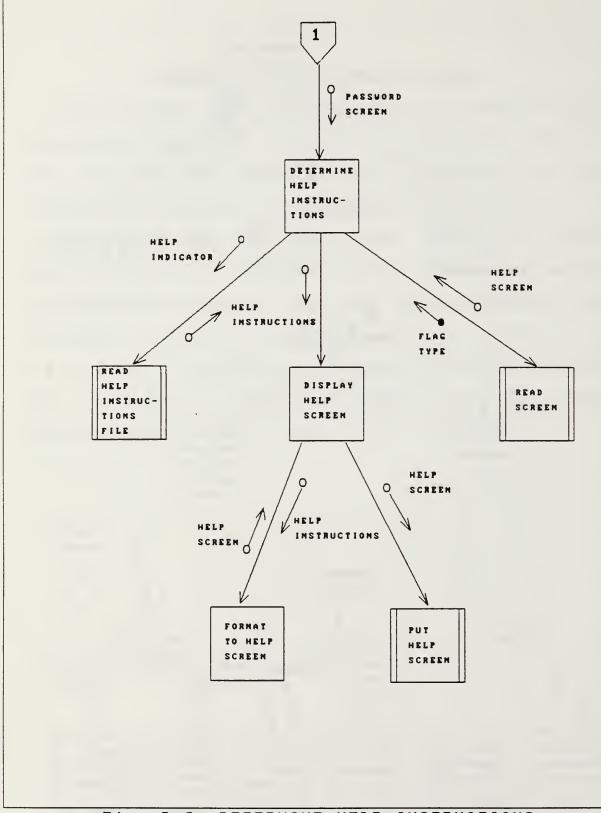


Fig. D-2, DETERMINE HELP INSTRUCTIONS for Password Screen.

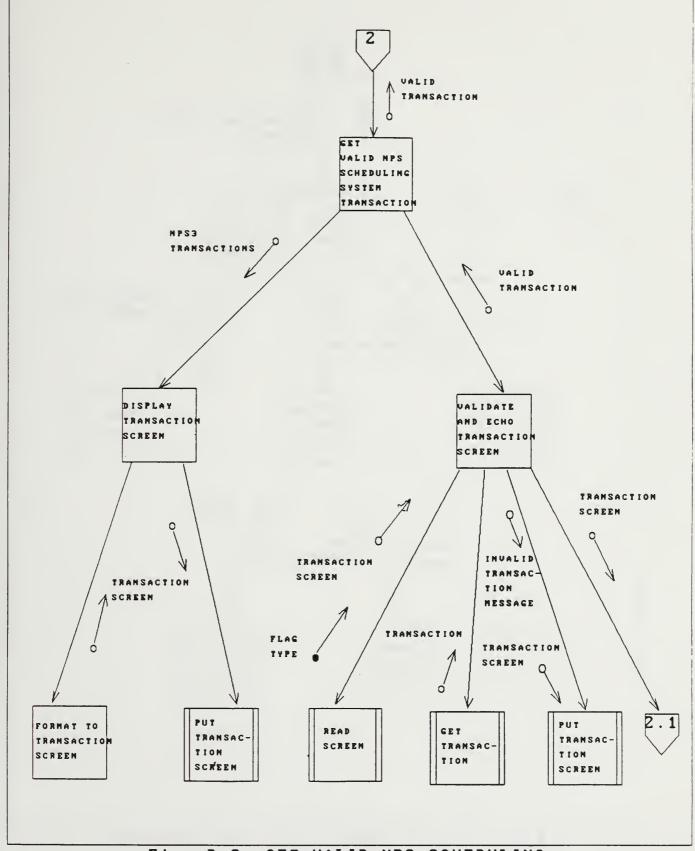


Fig. D-3, GET VALID NPS SCHEDULING SYSTEM TRANSACTION .

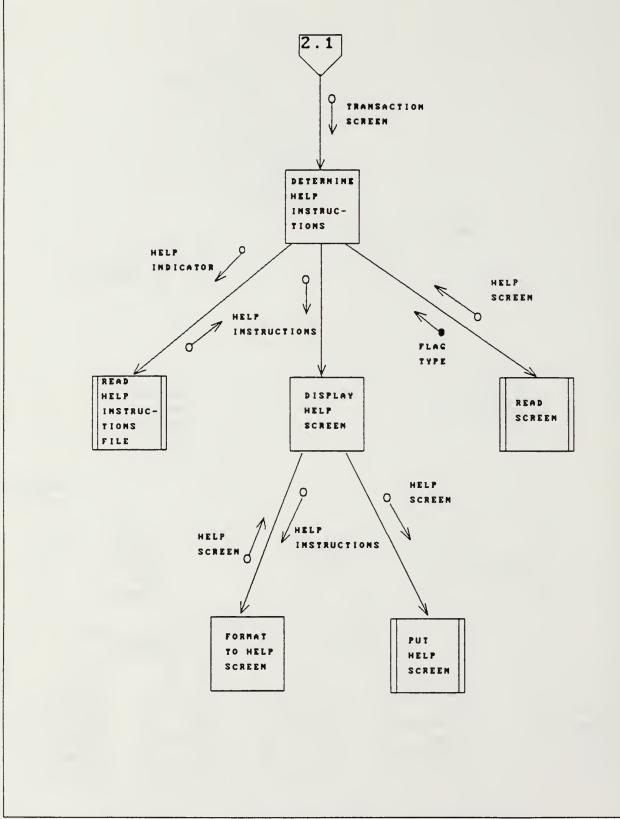


Fig. D-4, DETERMINE HELP INSTRUCTIONS for Transaction Screen.

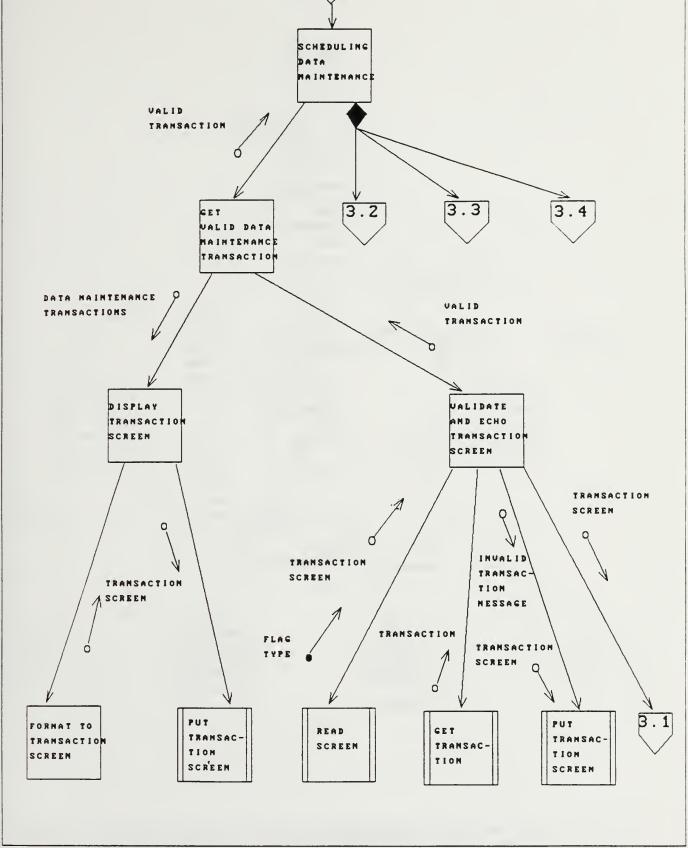


Fig. D-5, SCHEDULING DATA MAINTENANCE.

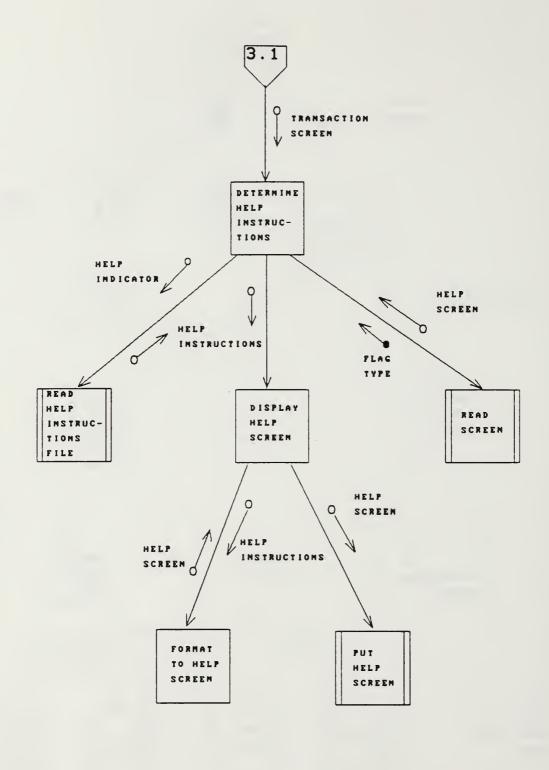


Fig. D-6, DETERMINE HELP INSTRUCTIONS for Transaction Screen.

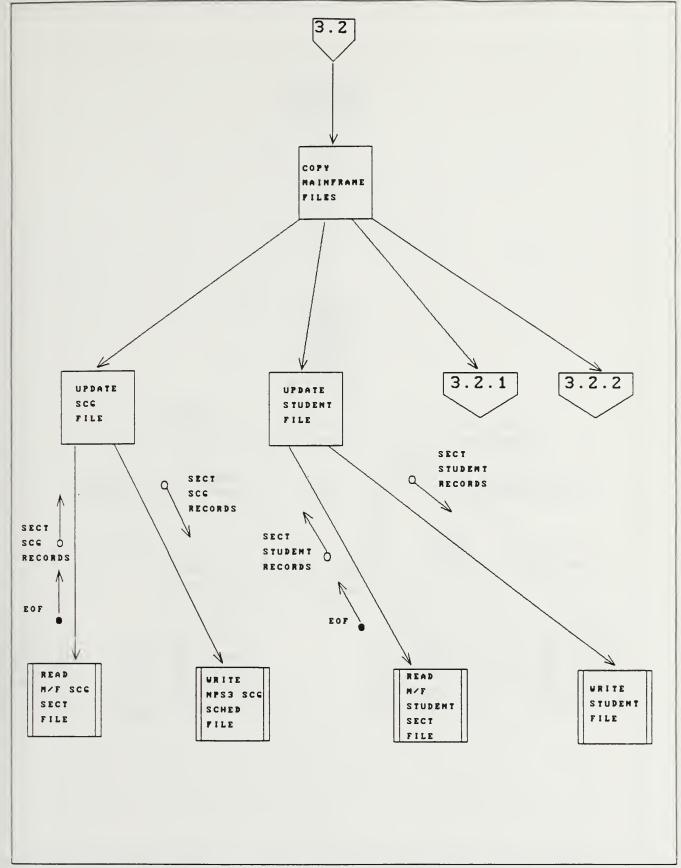


Fig. D-7, COPY MAINFRAME FILES.

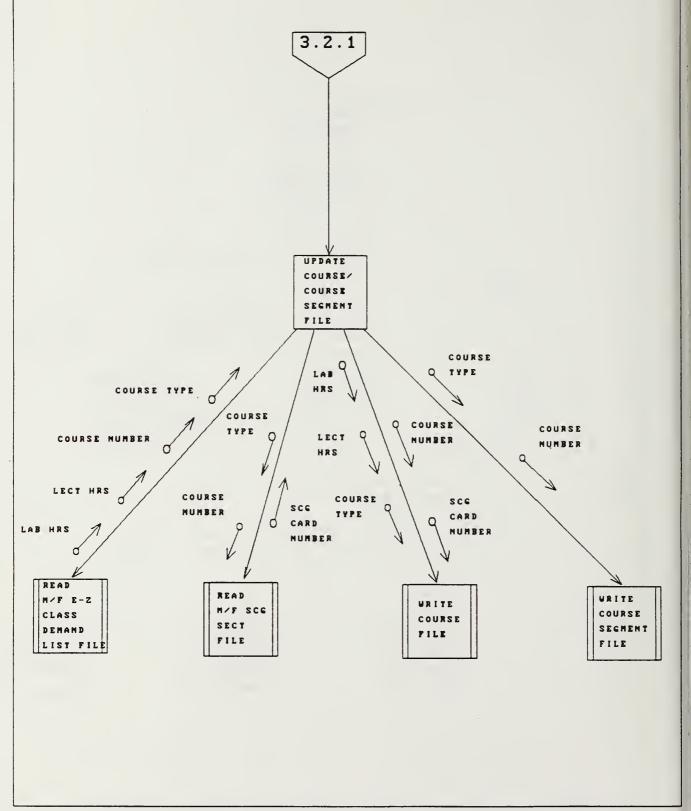


Fig. D-8, UPDATE COURSE/COURSE SEGMENT FILES.

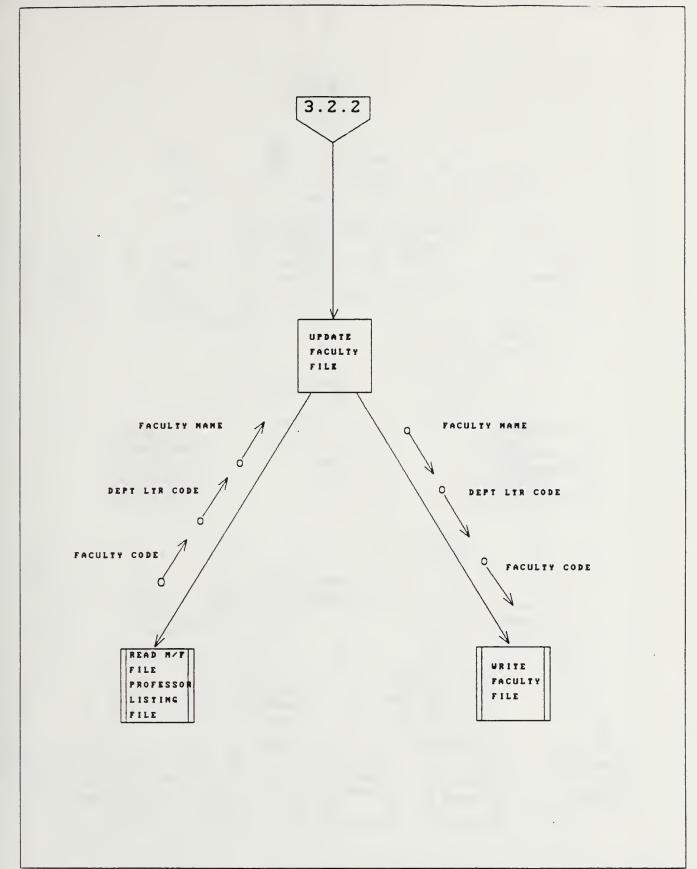


Fig. D-9, UPDATE FACULTY FILE.

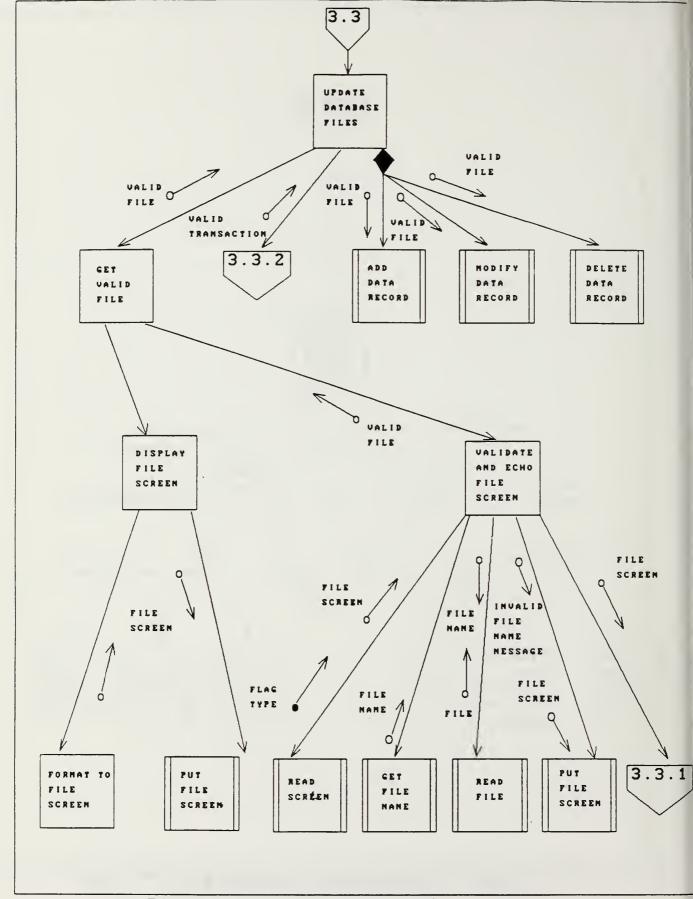


Fig. D-10, UPDATE DATABASE FILES.

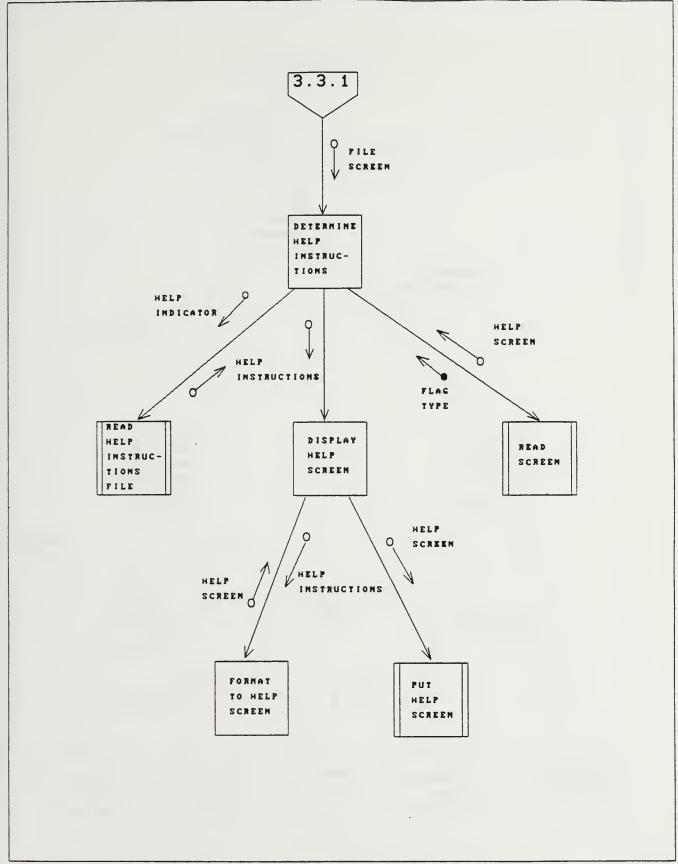


Fig. D-11, DETERMINE HELP INSTRUCTIONS for File Screen.

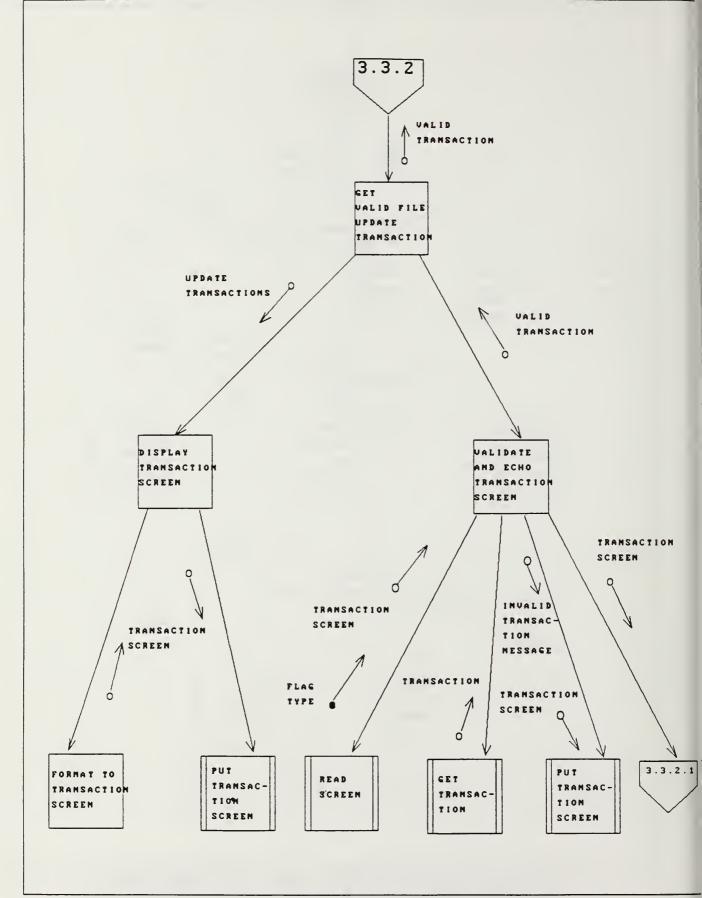


Fig. D-12, GET VALID FILE UPDATE TRANSACTION.

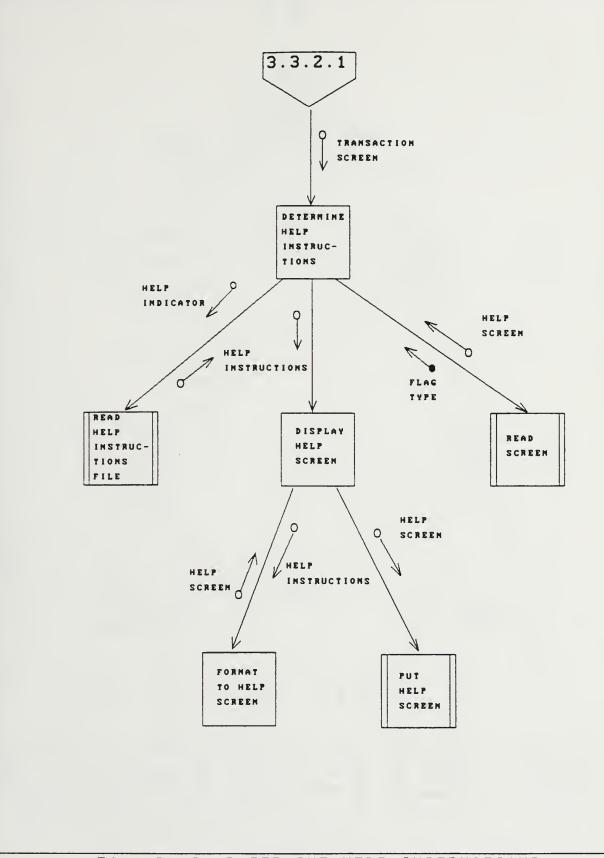


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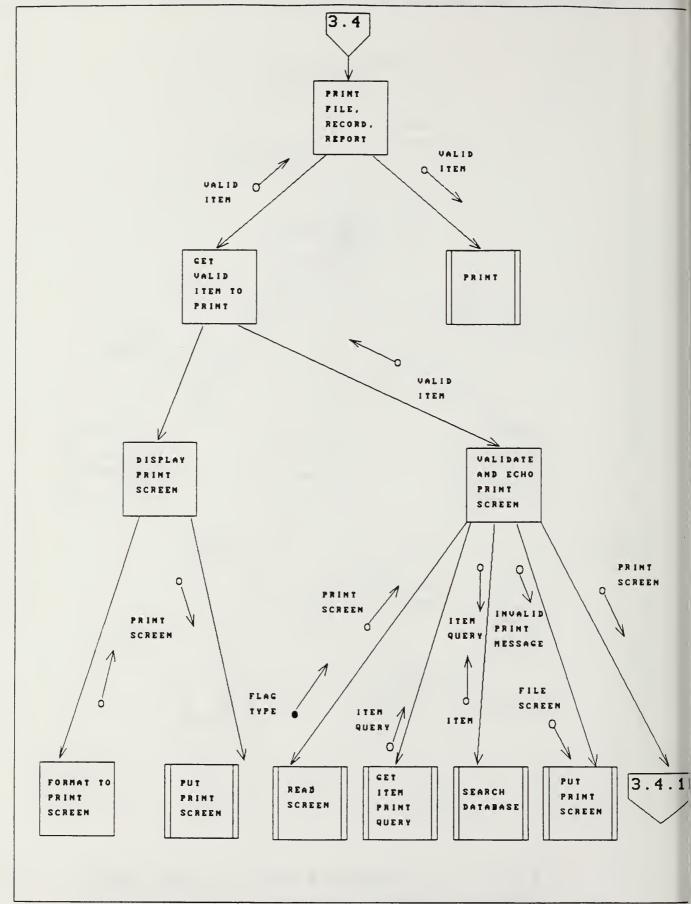


Fig. D-14, PRINT FILE, RECORD, REPORT.

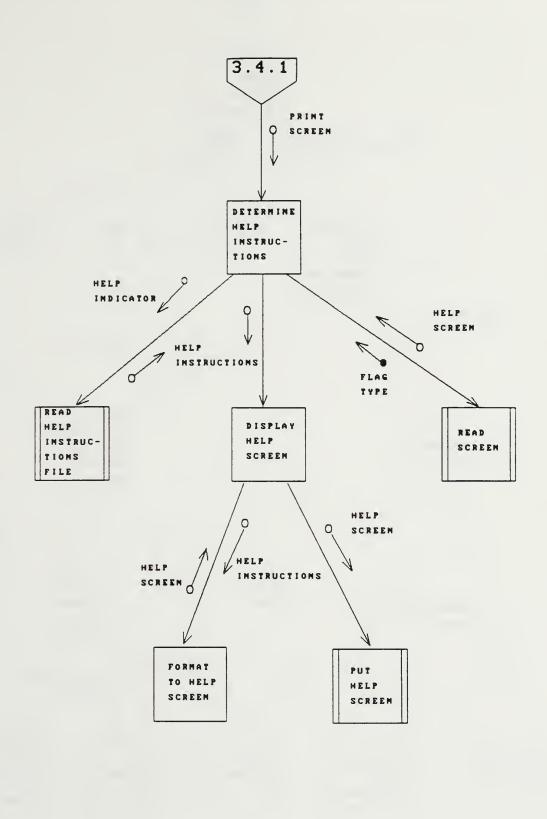


Fig. D-15, DETERMINE HELP INSTRUCTIONS for Print Screen.

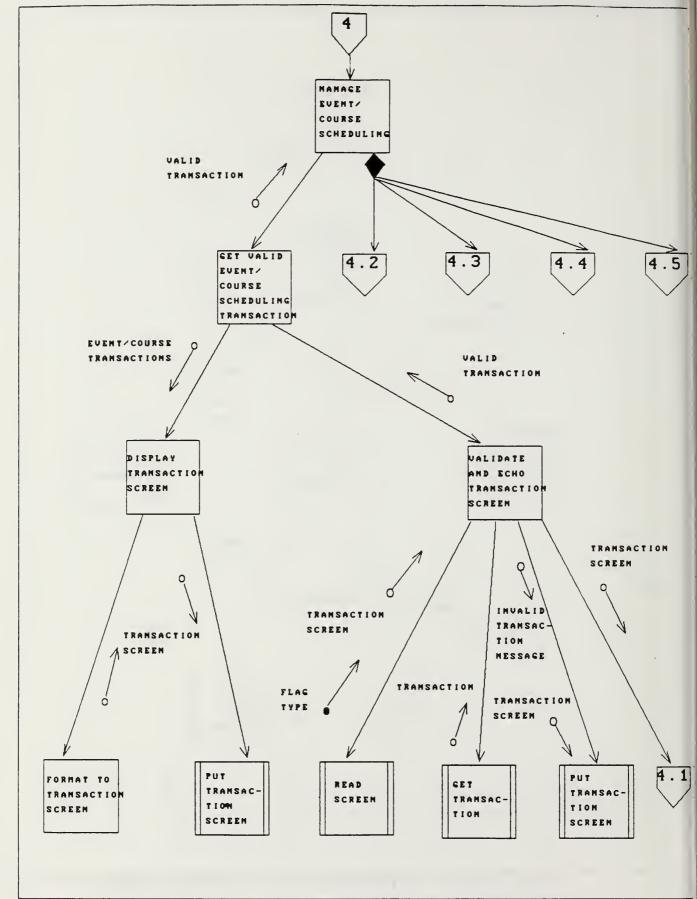


Fig. D-16, MANAGE EVENT/COURSE SCHEDULING.

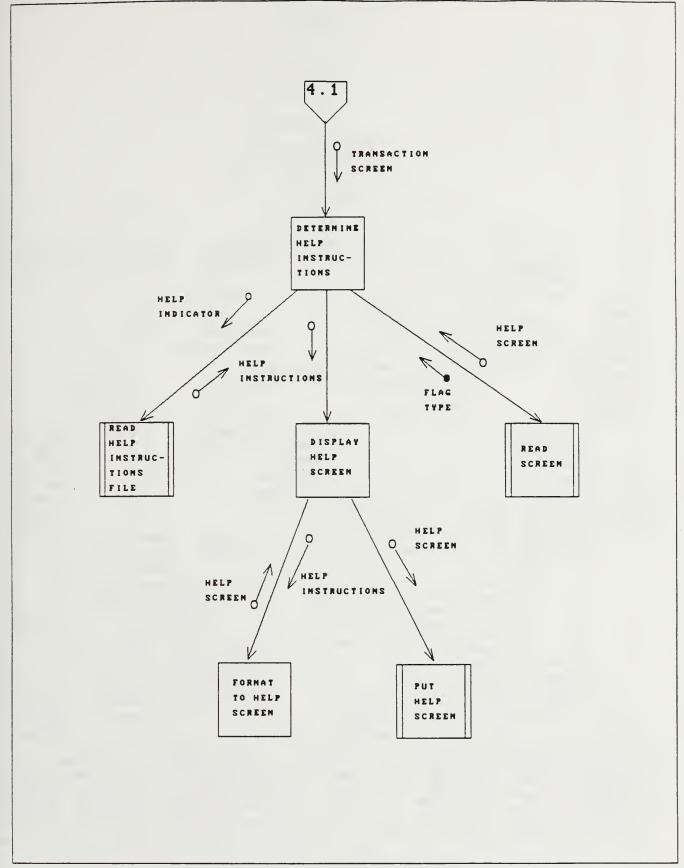


Fig. D-17, DETERMINE HELP INSTRUCTIONS for Event/Course Transaction Screen.

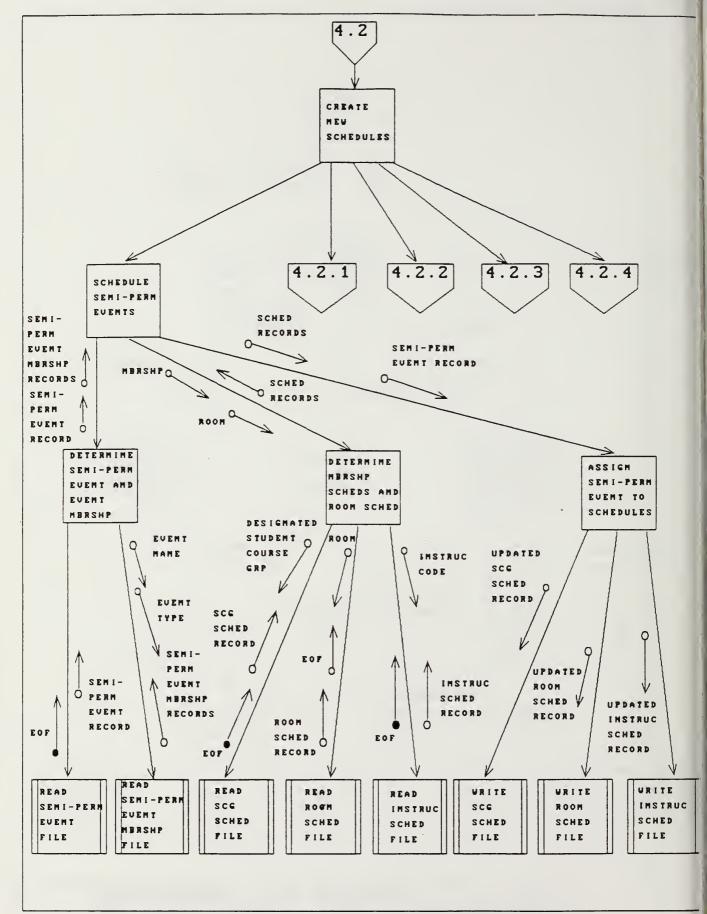


Fig. D-18, CREATE NEW SCHEDULES.

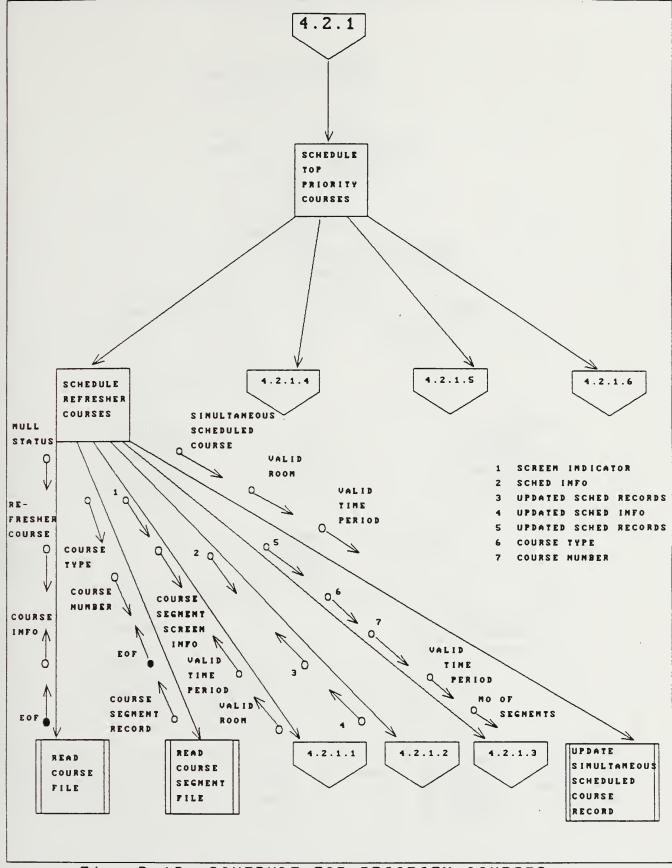


Fig. D-19, SCHEDULE TOP PRIORITY COURSES.

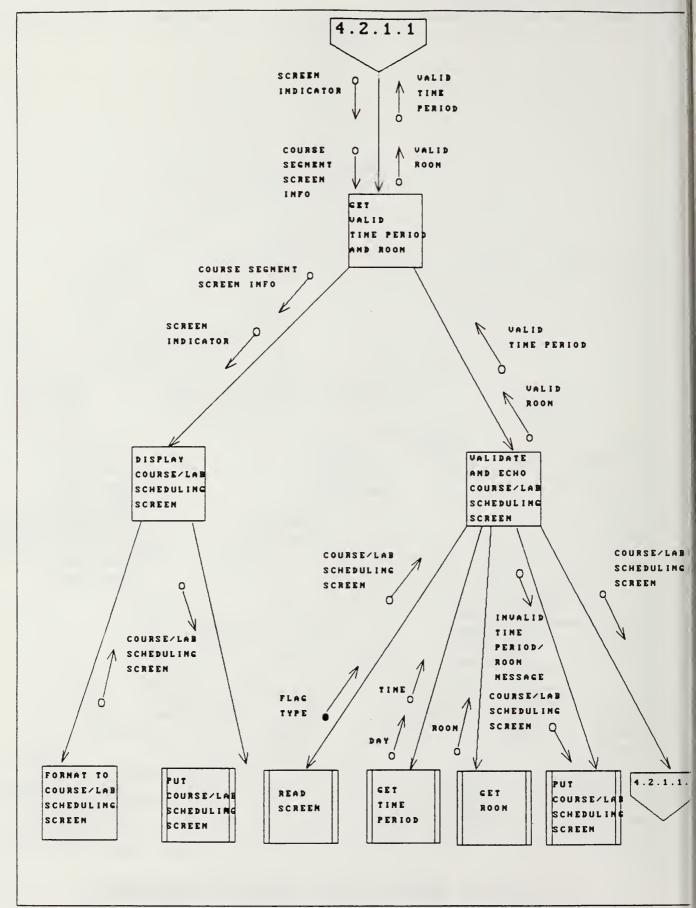


Fig. D-20, GET VALID TIME PERIOD AND ROOM.

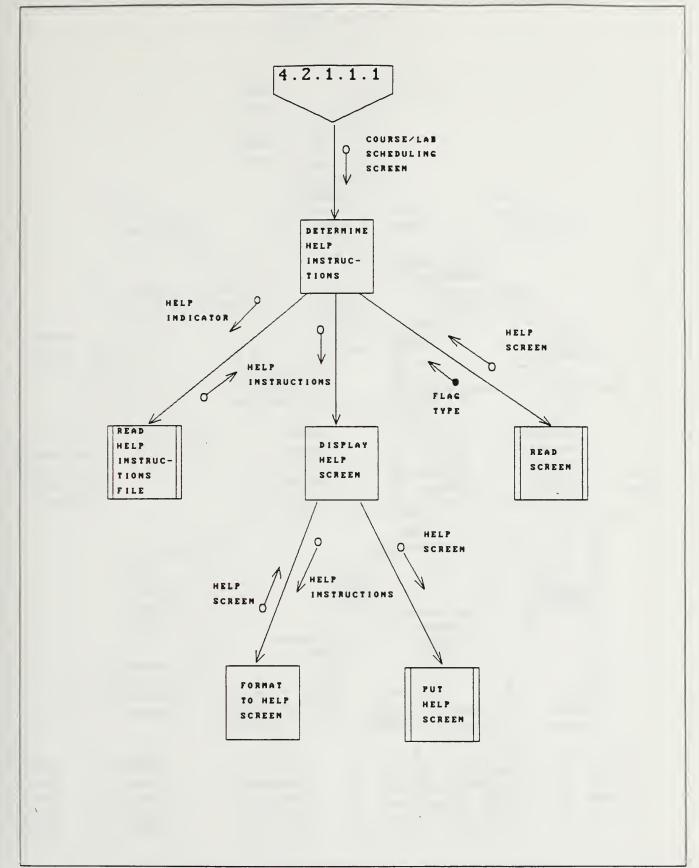


Fig. D-21, DETERMINE HELP INSTRUCTIONS for Course/Lab Scheduling Screen.

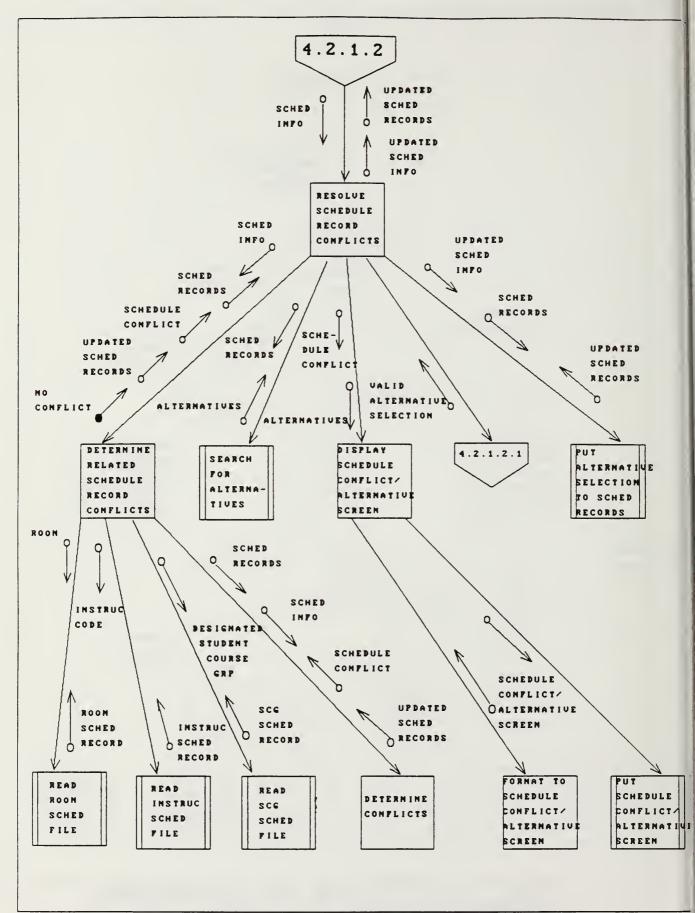


Fig. D-22, RESOLVE SCHEDULE RECORD CONFLICTS.

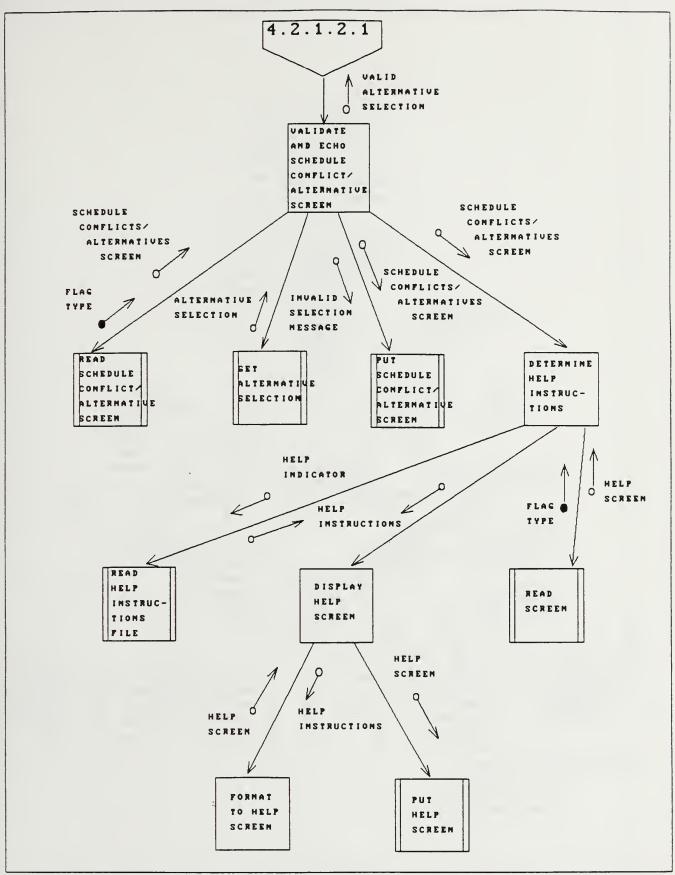


Fig. D-23, VALIDATE AND ECHO SCHEDULE CONFLICT/ALTERNATIVE SCREEN.

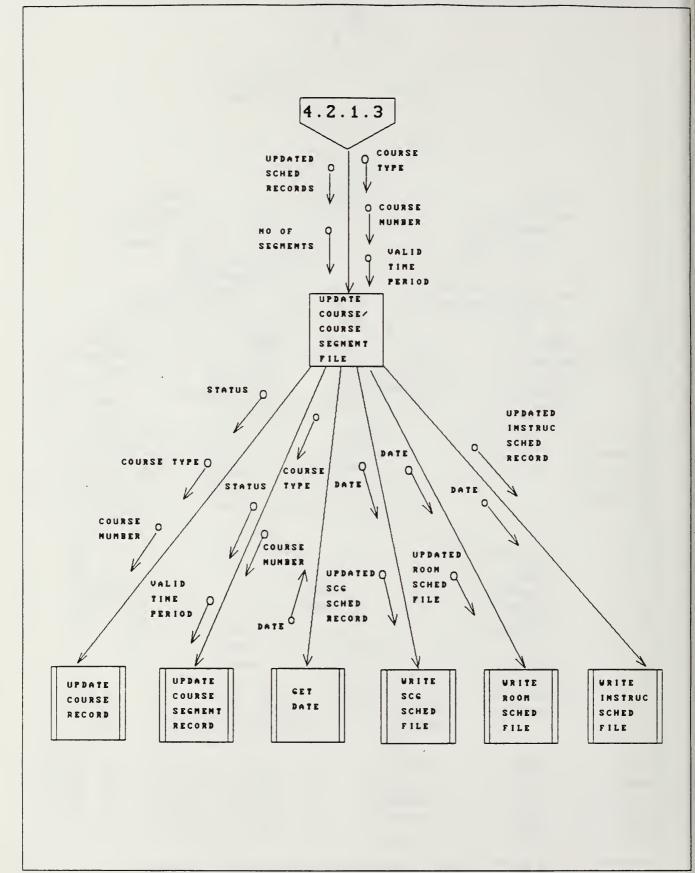


Fig. D-24, SAVE TO PERTINENT FILE, RECORD.

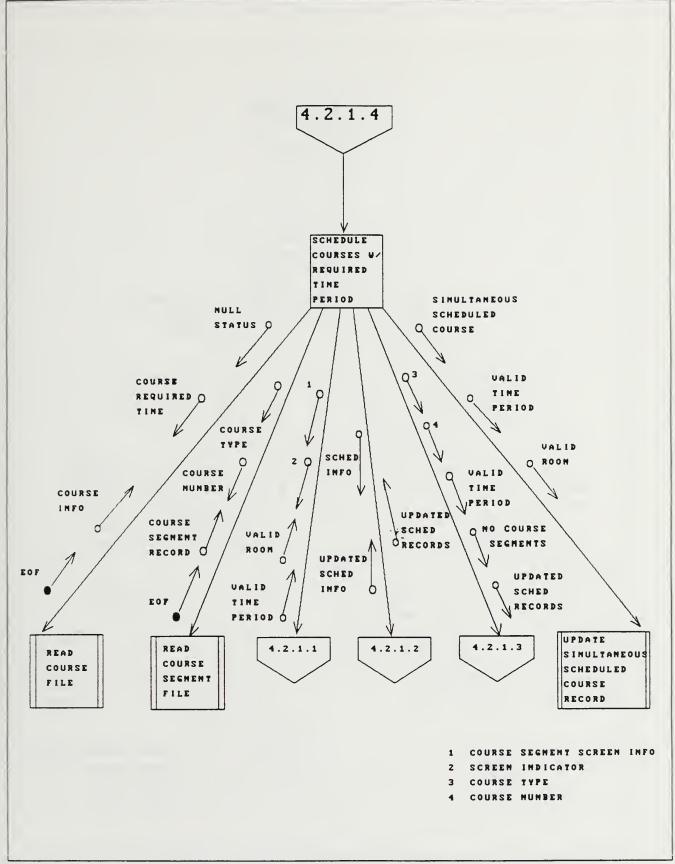


Fig. D-25, SCHEDULE COURSES W/ REQUIRED TIME PERIOD.

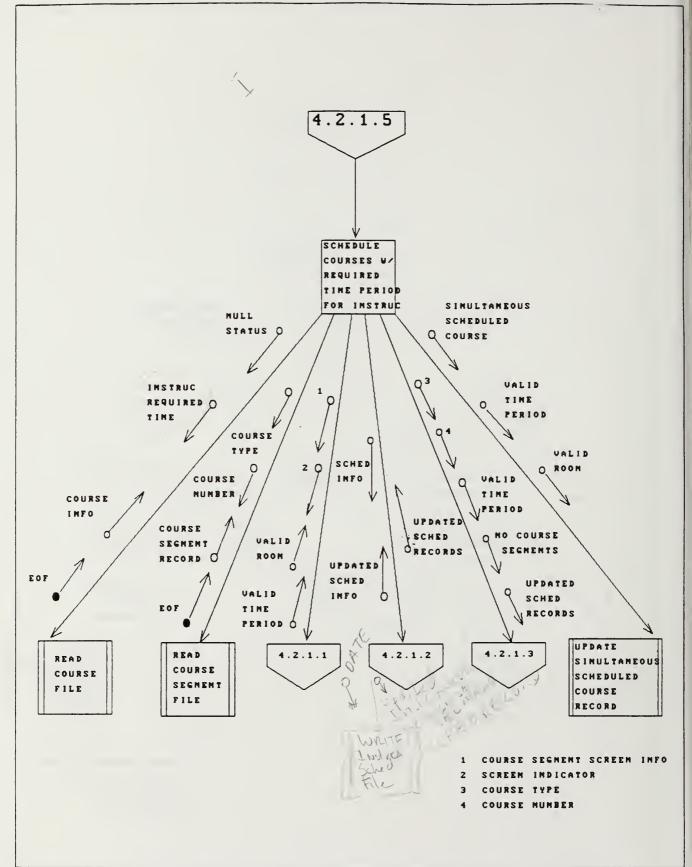


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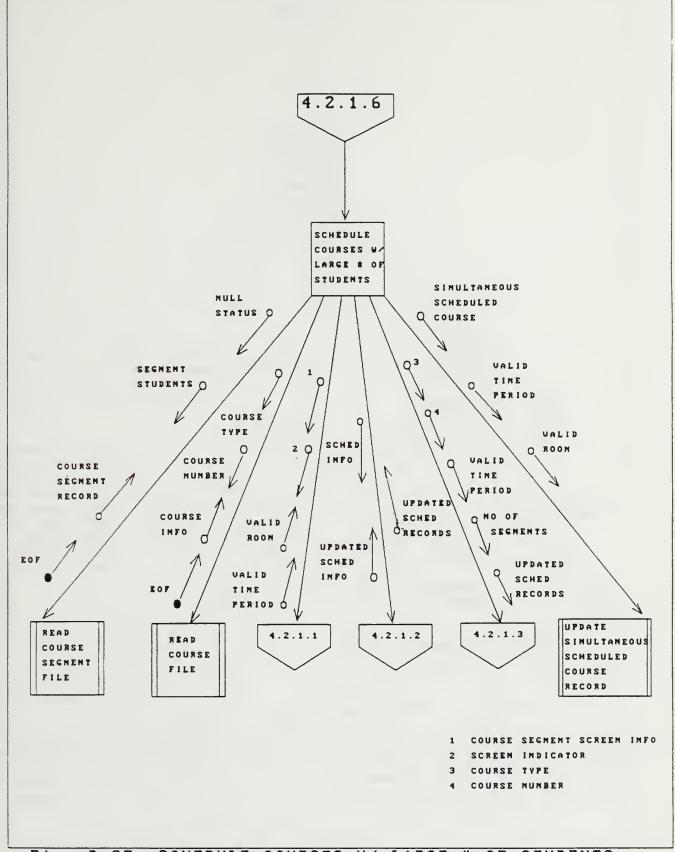


Fig. D-27, SCHEDULE COURSES W/ LARGE # OF STUDENTS.

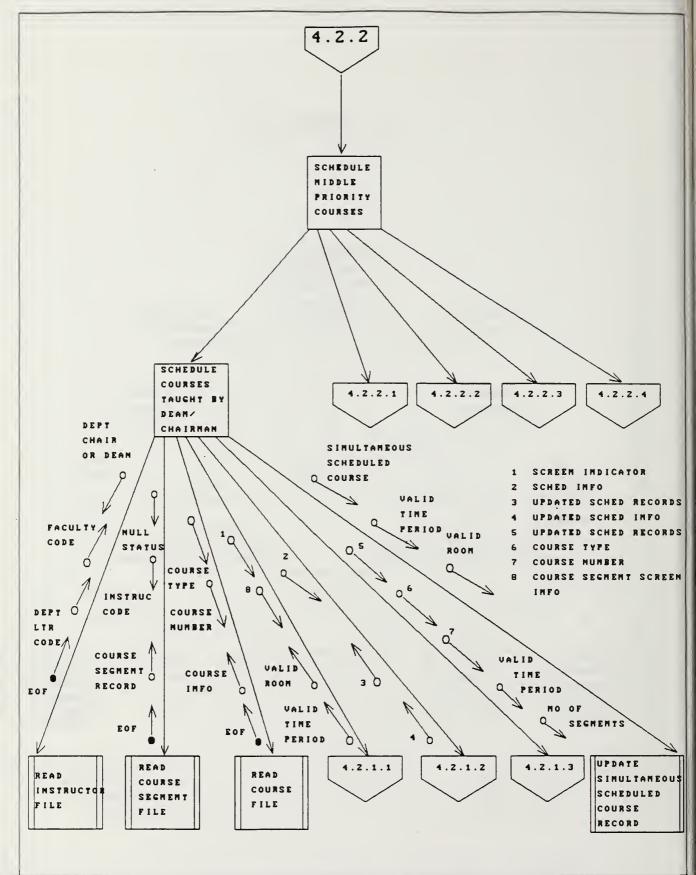


Fig. D-28, SCHEDULE MIDDLE PRIORITY COURSES.

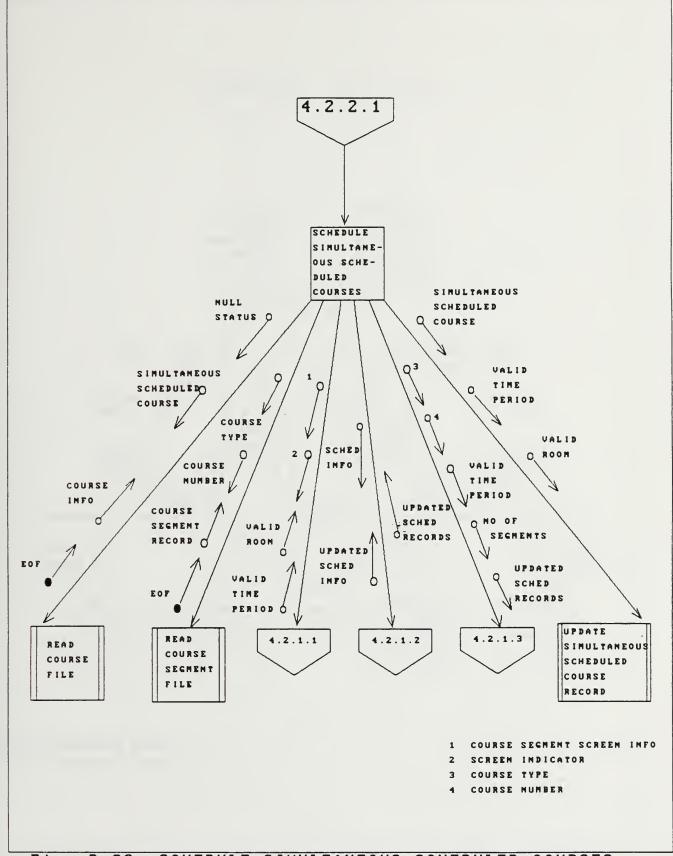
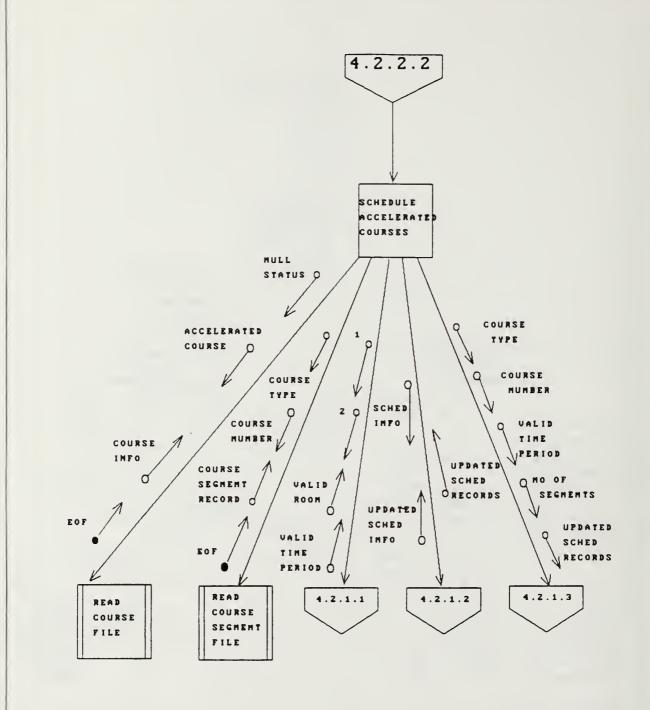
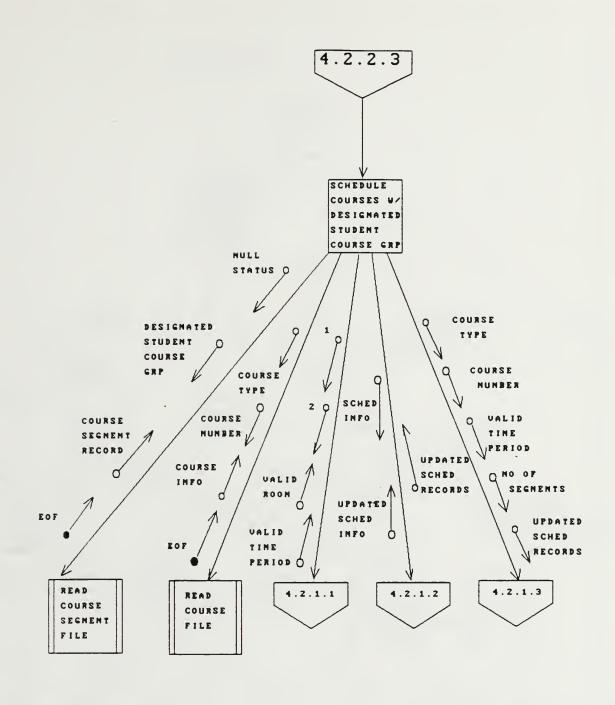


Fig. D-29, SCHEDULE SIMULTANEOUS SCHEDULED COURSES.



- 1 COURSE SEGMENT SCREEN INFO
- 2 SCREEM INDICATOR

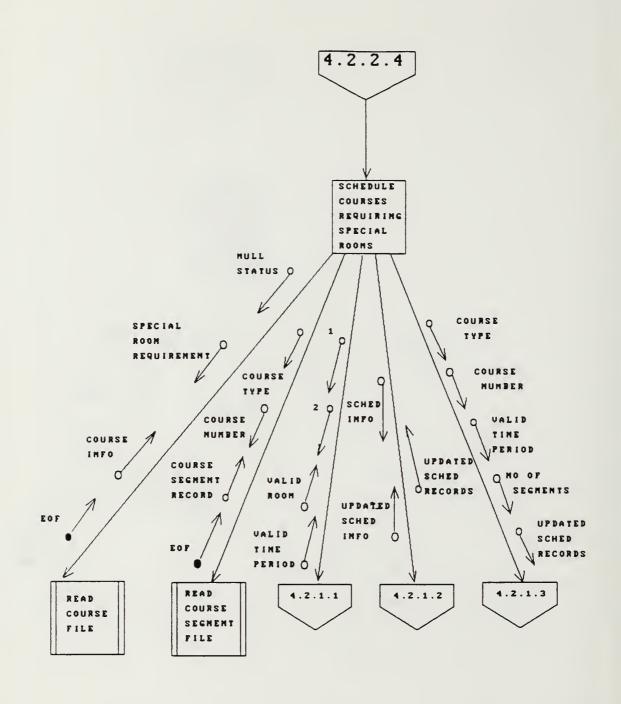
Fig. D-30, SCHEDULE ACCELERATED COURSES.



1 COURSE SEGNENT SCREEN INFO

Fig. D-31, SCHEDULE COURSES W/ DESIGNATED STUDENT COURSE GRP.

² SCREEN INDICATOR



- 1 COURSE SEGNENT SCREEN INFO
- 2 SCREEN INDICATOR

Fig. D-32, SCHEDULE COURSES REQUIRING SPECIAL ROOMS.

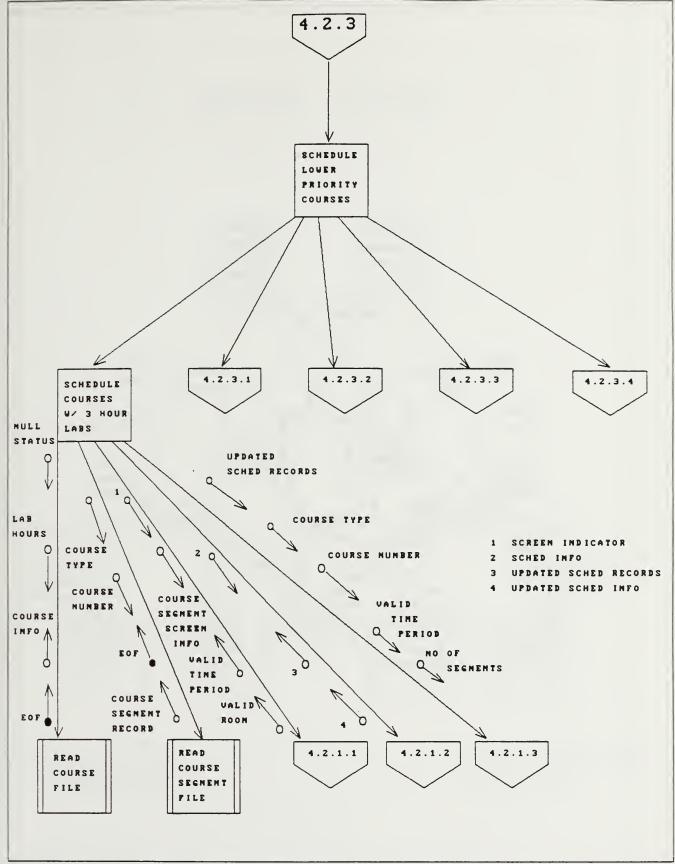
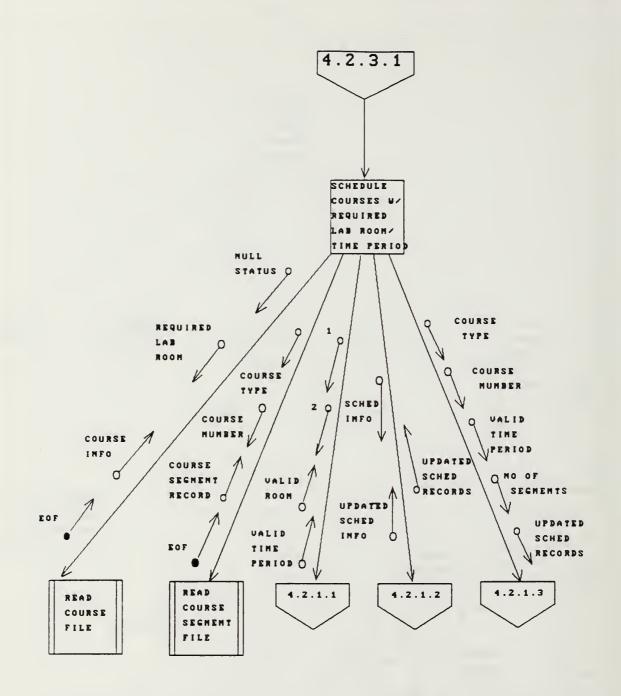
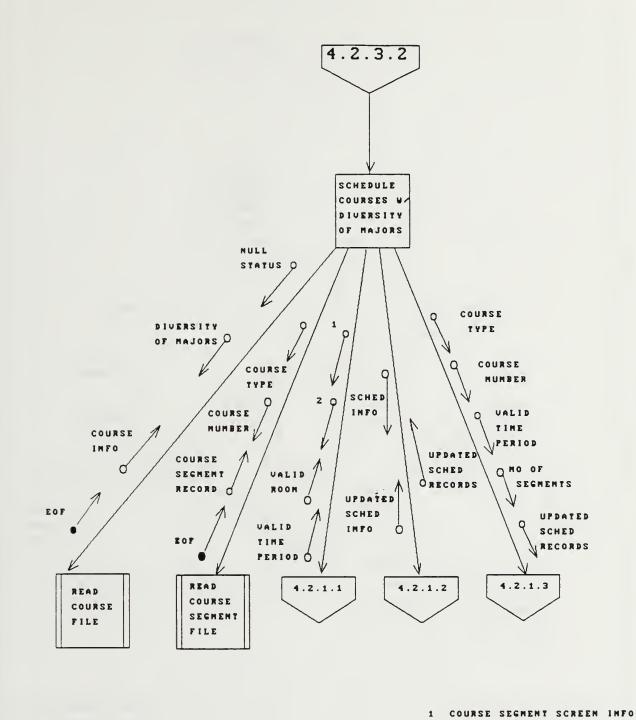


Fig. D-33, SCHEDULE LOWER PRIORITY COURSES.



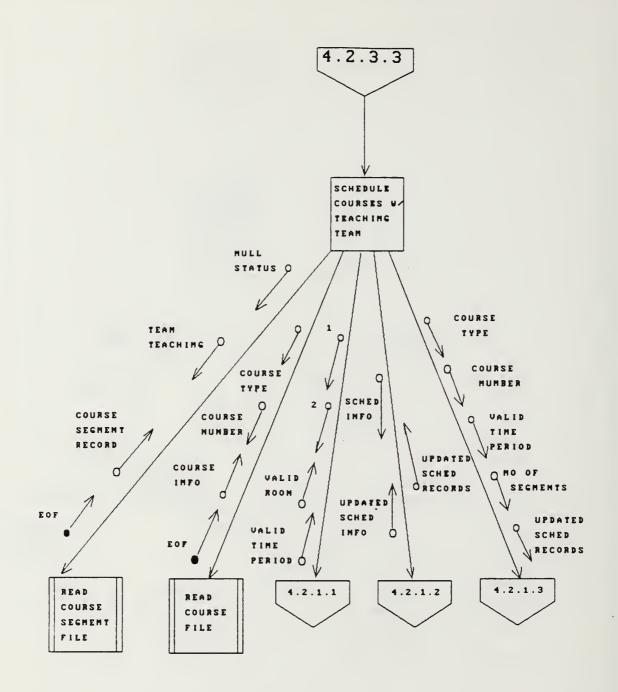
- 1 COURSE SECHENT SCREEN INFO
- 2 SCREEN INDICATOR

Fig. D-34, SCHEDULE COURSES W/ REQUIRED LAB ROOM/TIME PERIOD.



2 SCREEN INDICATOR

Fig. D-35, SCHEDULE COURSES W/DIVERSITY OF MAJORS.



- 1 COURSE SEGMENT SCREEM INFO
- 2 SCREEN INDICATOR

Fig. D-36, SCHEDULE COURSES W/ TEAM TEACHING.

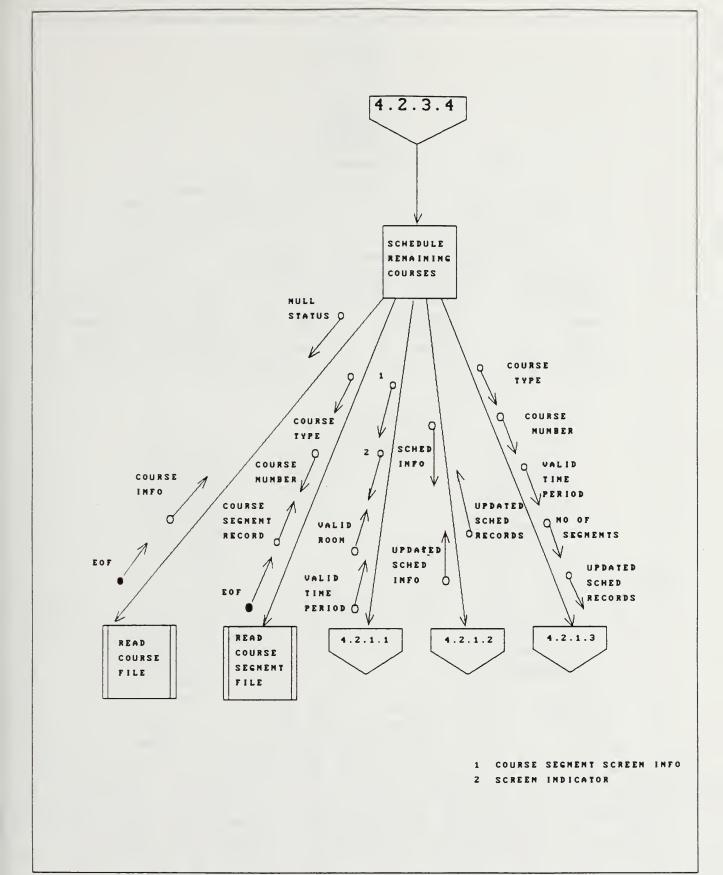


Fig. D-37, SCHEDULE REMAINING COURSES.

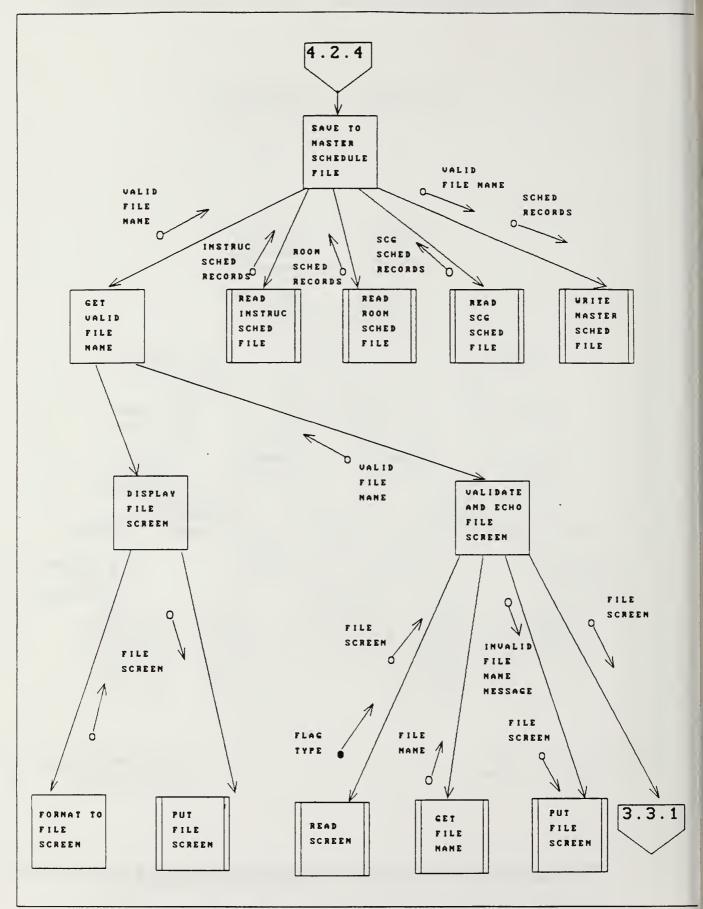


Fig. D-38, SAVE TO MASTER SCHEDULE FILE.

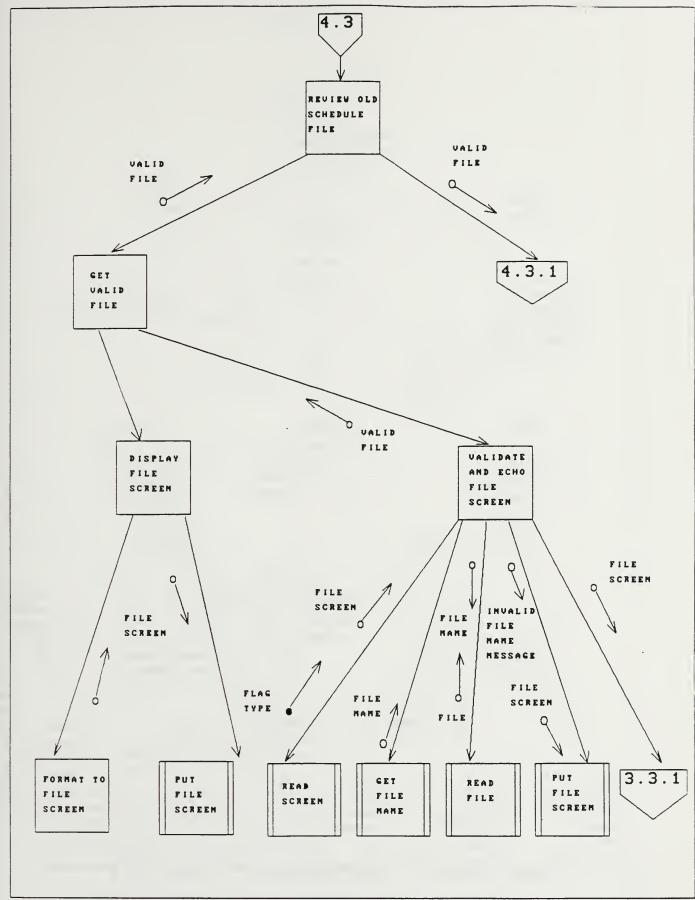


Fig. D-39, REVIEW OLD SCHEDULE FILE.

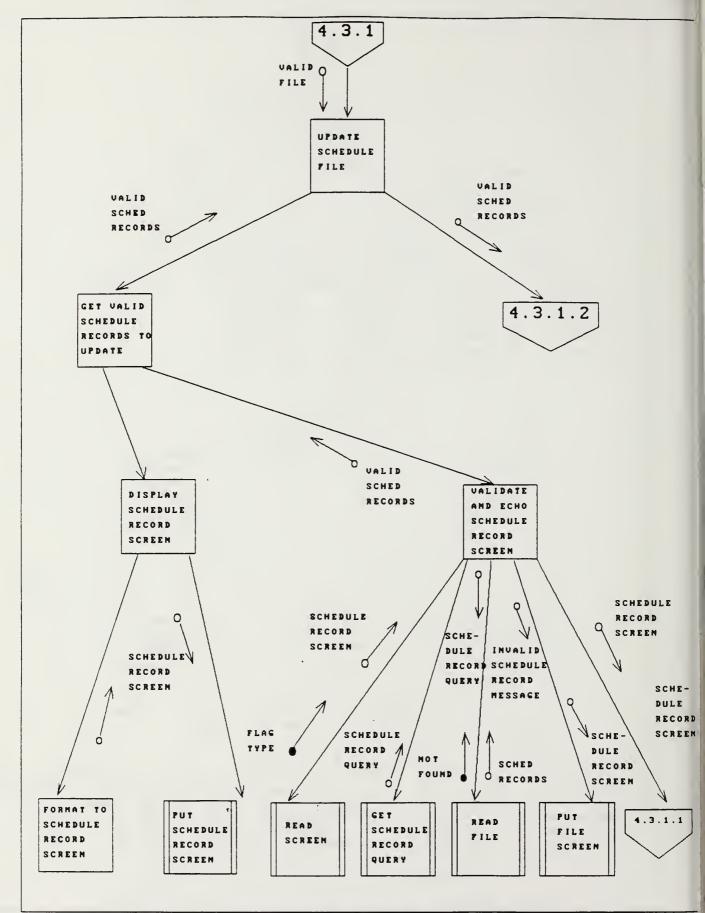


Fig. D-40, UPDATE SCHEDULE FILE.

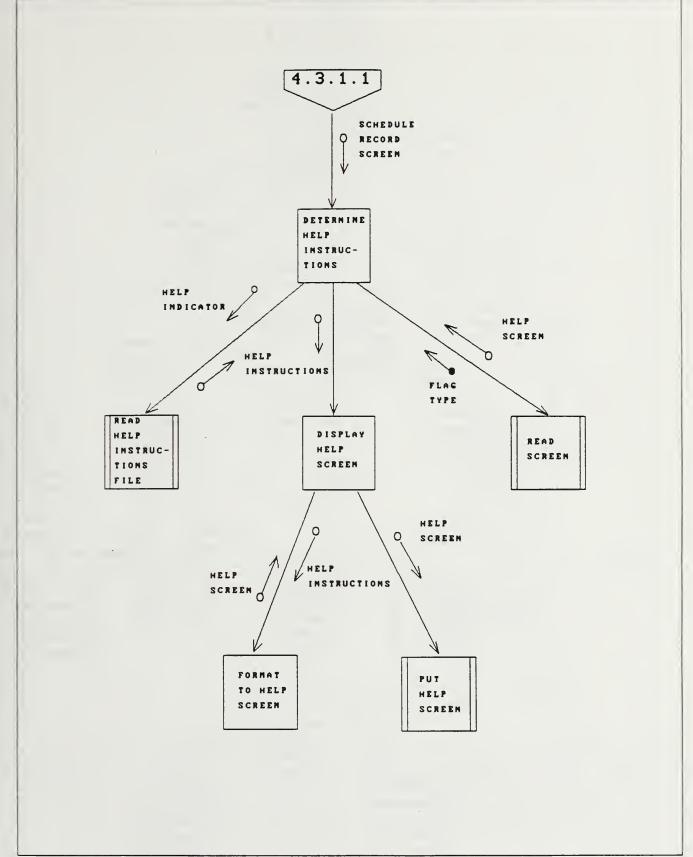


Fig. D-41, DETERMINE HELP INSTRUCTIONS for Schedule Record Screen.

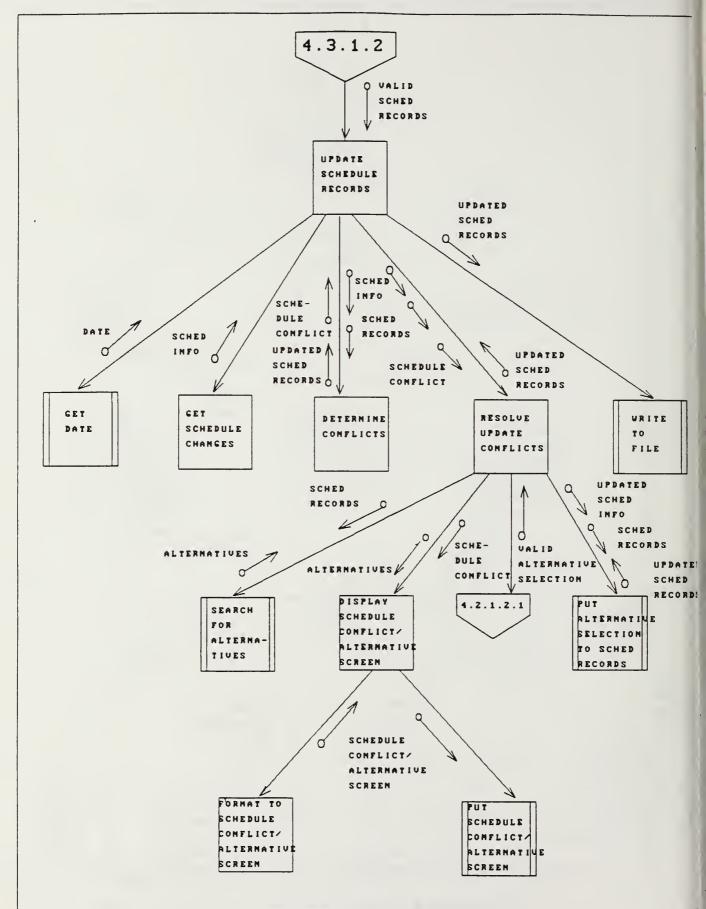


Fig. D-42, UPDATE SCHEDULE RECORDS.

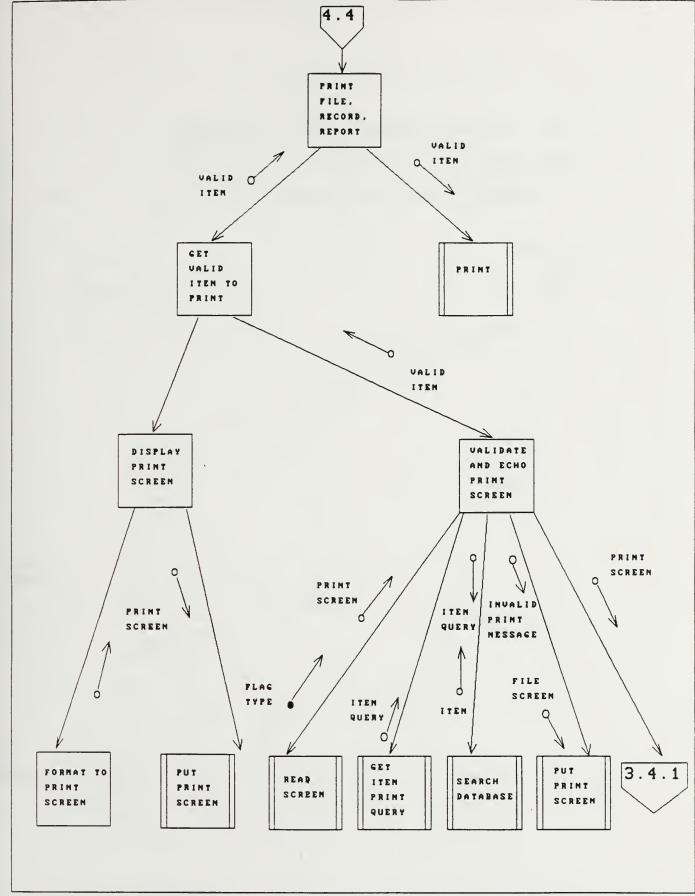


Fig. D-43, PRINT FILE, RECORD, REPORT.

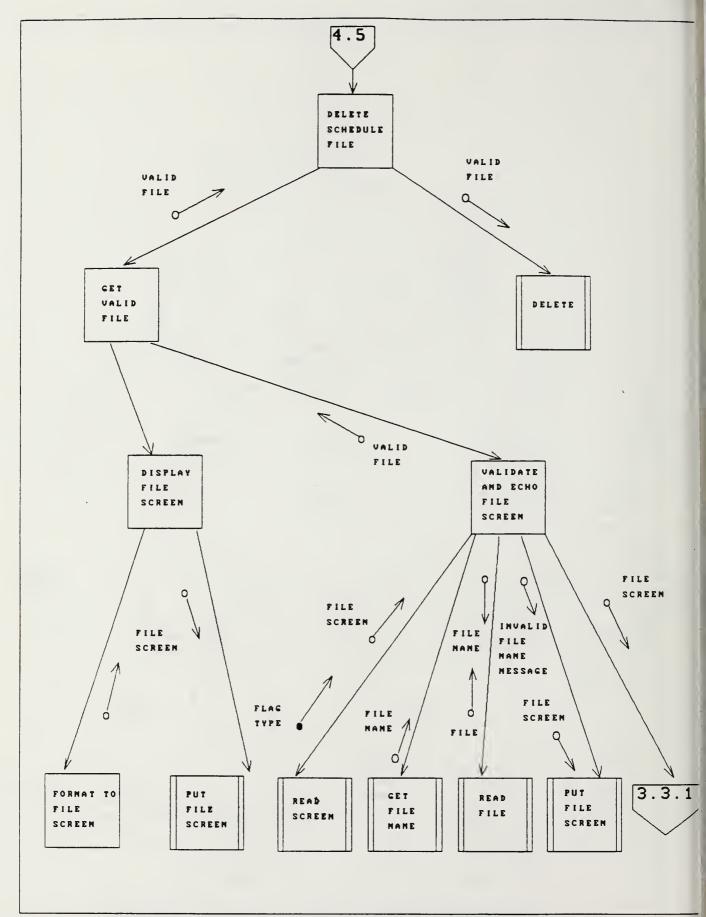


Fig. D-44, DELETE SCHEDULE FILE.

APPENDIX E: MODULE SPECIFICATIONS

The following report details, in alphabetical order, the specifications of each module illustrated in Appendix D.

MODULE: ADD DATA RECORD

PURPOSE: To add a data record to the given file.

USES: VALID FILE

RETURNS: N/A

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS: (Pre-defined)

1. Add a record to the VALID FILE.

CALLED BY: UPDATE DATABASE FILES

ASSIGN SEMI-PERM EVENT TO SCHEDULES MODULE:

To assign the SEMI-PERM EVENT and its TIME PERIOD PURPOSE:

and ROOM to the related SCHED RECORDS.

USES: SCHED RECORDS

SEMI-PERM EVENT RECORDS

RETURNS: N/A

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

Begin

SCHED RECORDS.TIME PERIOD := SEMI-PERM EVENT RECORD.TIME PERIOD

PUT SEMI-PERM EVENT RECORD in the SCHED RECORDS. TIME PERIOD slot

Call WRITE SCG SCHED FILE (UPDATED SCG SCHED

Call WRITE ROOM SCHED FILE (UPDATED ROOM SCHED

RECORD)

Call WRITE INSTRUC SCHED FILE (UPDATED INSTRUC

SCHEDRECORD)

End

CALLED BY: SCHEDULE SEMI-PERM EVENTS

MODULE: COPY MAINFRAME FILES

PURPOSE: To coordinate copying files downloaded form the NPS

mainframe computer.

USES: N/A

RETURNS: N/A

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

Begin

Call UPDATE STUDENT COURSE GRP FILE

Call UPDATE STUDENT FILE

Call UPDATE COURSE/COURSE SEGMENT FILES

Call UPDATE FACULTY FILE

End

CALLED BY: SCHEDULING DATA MAINTENANCE

MODULE: CREATE NEW SCHEDULES

PURPOSE: To coordinate creation of new event/course

schedules based on priorities.

USES: N/A

RETURNS: N/A

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

Begin

Call SCHEDULE SEMI-PERM EVENTS

Call SCHEDULE TOP PRIORITY COURSES

Call SCHEDULE MIDDLE PRIORITY COURSES

Call SCHEDULE LOWER PRIORITY COURSES
Call SAVE TO MASTER SCHEDULE FILE

A

End

CALLED BY: MANAGE EVENT/COURSE SCHEDULING

MODULE: DELETE

PURPOSE: To delete a given schedule file.

USES: VALID FILE

RETURNS: N/A

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS: (Pre-defined)

1. Delete the VALID FILE.

CALLED BY: DELETE SCHEDULE FILE

MODULE: DELETE DATA RECORD

PURPOSE: To delete a data record in the given file.

USES: VALID FILE

RETURNS: N/A

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS: (Pre-defined)

1. Delete a record in the VALID FILE.

CALLED BY: UPDATE DATABASE FILES

MODULE: DELETE SCHEDULE FILE

PURPOSE: To coordinate deletion of a schedule file.

USES: N/A

RETURNS: N/A

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

Begin

Call GET VALID FILE

Call DELETE (VALID FILE)

End

CALLED BY: MANAGE EVENT/COURSE SCHEDULING

MODULE: DETERMINE CONFLICTS

PURPOSE: To put the schedule information to the related

SCHEDULE RECORDS.

USES: SCHED RECORDS

SCHED INFO

RETURNS: UPDATED SCHED RECORDS

SCHEDULE CONFLICT

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

Begin

If INSTRUC SCHED RECORD.TIME PERIOD AND ROOM

SCHED.TIME PERIOD AND STUDENT COURSE

GRP.TIME PERIOD = null

For INSTRUC SCHED RECORD

Put (COURSE TYPE, COURSE NUMBER, SEGMENT

NUMBER, SEGMENT STUDENTS, VALID ROOM)

in TIME PERIOD slot

For ROOM SCHED RECORD

Put (COURSE TYPE, COURSE NUMBER, SEGMENT

NUMBER, SEGMENT STUDENTS, INSTRUC CODE)

in TIME PERIOD slot

For STUDENT COURSE GRP RECORD

Put (COURSE TYPE, COURSE NUMBER, SEGMENT

NUMBER VALID ROOM, INSTRUC CODE)

in TIME PERIOD slot

Return (UPDATED SCHED RECORDS)

Else Return (SCHED CONFLICT)

End if

End

CALLED BY: DETERMINE RELATED SCHEDULE RECORD CONFLICTS

UPDATE SCHEDULE RECORDS

MODULE: DETERMINE HELP INSTRUCTIONS

PURPOSE: To determine the help instuctions needed for a

given screen.

USES: PASSWORD SCREEN

TRANSACTION SCREEN

FILE SCREEN PRINT SCREEN

COURSE/LAB SCHEDULING SCREEN

SCHEDULE CONFLICT/ALTERNATIVES SCREEN

SCHEDULE RECORD SCREEN

RETURNS: N/A

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

Begin

Case Screen

When Screen = COURSE/LAB SCHEDULING SCREEN

Call READ HELP INSTRUCTIONS FILE (COURSE/LAB

HELP SCREEN INDICATOR)

When Screen = SCHEDULE CONFLICT/ALTERNATIVES
SCREEN

Call READ HELP INSTRUCTIONS FILE

(CONFLICT/ALTERNATIVESHELP

SCREEN INDICATOR)

When Screen = PASSWORD SCREEN

Call READ HELP INSTRUCTIONS FILE (PASSWORD

HELP SCREEN INDICATOR)

When Screen = TRANSACTION SCREEN

Call READ HELP INSTRUCTIONS FILE (TRANSACTION

HELP SCREEN INDICATOR)

When Screen = FILE SCREEN

Call READ HELP INSTRUCTIONS FILE (FILE HELP

SCREEN INDICATOR)

When Screen = PRINT SCREEN

Call READ HELP INSTRUCTIONS FILE (PRINT HELP

SCREEN INDICATOR)

When Screen = SCHEDULE RECORD SCREEN

Call READ HELP INSTRUCTIONS FILE (SCHEDULE

RECORD HELP SCREEN INDICATOR)

Endcase

Call DISPLAY HELP SCREEN (HELP INSTRUCTONS)

Call READ SCREEN

If FLAG TYPE = RETURN

Go back to where called

Elseif FLAG TYPE = QUIT

Exit system

Endif

End

CALLED BY: VALIDATE AND ECHO PASSWORD SCREEN

VALIDATE AND ECHO TRANSACTION SCREEN

VALIDATE AND ECHO FILE SCREEN VALIDATE AND ECHO PRINT SCREEN

VALIDATE AND ECHO COURSE/LAB SCHEDULING SCREEN VALIDATE AND ECHO SCHEDULE CONFLICT/ALTERNATIVES

SCREEN

VALIDATE AND ECHO SCHEDULE RECORD SCREEN

MODULE: DETERMINE MBRSHP SCHEDS AND ROOM SCHED

PURPOSE: To determine the membership and room schedule

records for a given semi-permanent event.

USES: MBRSHP

ROOM

RETURNS: SCHED RECORDS

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

Begin

Call READ SCG SCHED FILE (DESIGNATED STUDENT

COURSE GRP) until EOF

Call READ ROOM SCHED FILE (ROOM) until EOF

Call READ INSTRUC SCHED FILE (INSTRUC CODE) until

EOF

Return all related SCHED RECORDS

End

CALLED BY: SCHEDULE SEMI-PERM EVENTS

MODULE: DETERMINE RELATED SCHEDULE RECORD CONFLICTS

PURPOSE: To determine the SCHEDULE CONFLICTS that exist

between the related SCHEDULE RECORDS.

USES: COURSE SEGMENT SCHED INFO

RETURNS: NO CONFLICT (flag)

UPDATED SCHED RECORDS

SCHEDULE CONFLICT

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

Begin

Call READ ROOM SCHED FILE (ROOM)

Call READ INSTRUC SCHED FILE (INSTRUC CODE)

Call READ SCG SCHED FILE (DESIGNATED STUDENT

COURSE GRP'S)

Call DETERMINE COMFLICTS (SCHED RECORDS, SCHED

INFO)

If SCHEDULE CONFLICT exists

Return (SCHED RECORDS, SCHEDULE CONFLICTS)

Else

Return (NO CONFLICT, UPDATED SCHED RECORDS)

End if

End

CALLED BY: RESOLVE SCHEDULE RECORD CONFLICTS

MODULE: DETERMINE SEMI-PERM EVENT AND EVENT MBRSHP

PURPOSE: To determine a semi-permanent event and the

membership of that event.

USES: N/A

RETURNS: MBRSHP

SEMI-PERM EVENT RECORD

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

Begin

Call READ SEMI-PERM EVENT FILE

If EOF go back to CREATE NEW SCHEDULE FILE

Else CALL READ SEMI-PERM EVENT MBRSHP FILE (EVENT

TYPE, EVENT NAME)

End if

Return (MBRSHP, SEMI-PERM EVENT RECORD)

End

CALLED BY: SCHEDULE SEMI-PERM EVENTS

MODULE: DISPLAY COURSE/LAB SCHEDULING SCREEN

PURPOSE: To display a CRT screen for TIME PERIOD and ROOM

entry.

USES: COURSE SEGMENT SCREEN INFO

SCREEN INDICATOR

RETURNS: N/A

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

Begin

Call FORMAT TO COURSE/LAB SCHEDULING SCREEN
Put COURSE SEGMENT SCREEN INFO and SCREEN
INDICATOR to COURSE/LAB SCHEDULING SCREEN

Call PUT COURSE/LAB SCHEDULING SCREEN

End

CALLED BY: GET VALID TIME PERIOD AND ROOM

MODULE: DISPLAY FILE SCREEN

PURPOSE: To display a CRT screen for filename entry.

USES: N/A

RETURNS: N/A

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

Begin

Call FORMAT TO FILE SCREEN

Call PUT FILE SCREEN (FILE SCREEN)

End

CALLED BY: GET VALID FILE

GET VALID FILE NAME

MODULE: DISPLAY HELP SCREEN

PURPOSE: To display CRT screen of HELP INSTRUCTIONS.

USES:

HELP INSTRUCTIONS

RETURNS: N/A

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

Begin

Call FORMAT HELP SCREEN (HELP INSTRUCTIONS)

Call PUT HELP SCREEN (HELP SCREEN)

End

CALLED BY: DETERMINE HELP INSTRUCTIONS

MODULE: DISPLAY PASSWORD SCREEN

PURPOSE: To display a CRT screen for password entry.

USES: N/A

RETURNS: N/A

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

Begin

Call FORMAT TO PASSWORD SCREEN

Call PUT PASSWORD SCREEN (PASSWORD SCREEN)

End

CALLED BY: GET VALID PASSWORD

MODULE: DISPLAY PRINT SCREEN

PURPOSE: To display a CRT screen for selecting an item to

print.

USES: N/A

RETURNS: N/A

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

Begin

Call FORMAT TO PRINT SCREEN

Call PUT PRINT SCREEN (PRINT SCREEN)

End

CALLED BY: GET VALID ITEM TO PRINT

MODULE: DISPLAY SCHEDULE CONFLICT/ALTERNATIVES SCREEN

PURPOSE: To display a CRT screen for selection of an

alternative TIME PERIOD.

USES: ALTERNATIVES

SCHEDULE CONFLICT

RETURNS: N/A

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

Begin

Call FORMAT TO SCHEDULE CONFLICT/ALTERNATIVES

SCREEN

Put ALTERNATIVES and SCHEDULE COMFLICT to

SCHEDULE CONFLICT/ALTERNATIVES SCREEN

Call PUT SCHEDULE CONFLICT/ALTERNATIVES SCREEN

End

CALLED BY: RESOLVE SCHEDULE RECORD CONFLICT

RESOLVE UPDATE CONFLICTS

MODULE: DISPLAY SCHEDULE RECORD SCREEN

To display a CRT screen for input by the system user of schedule of schedule records to get to PURPOSE:

update.

USES: N/A

RETURNS: N/A

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

Begin

Call FORMAT TO SCHEDULE RRECORD SCREEN

Call PUT SCHEDULE RECORD SCREEN

End

CALLED BY: GET VALID SCHEDULE RECORDS TO UPDATE

MODULE: DISPLAY TRANSACTION SCREEN

PURPOSE: To display a CRT screen for TRANSACTION entry.

USES: NPS³ TRANSACTIONS

DATA MAINTENANCE TRANSACTIONS

UPDATE TRANSACTIONS

EVENT/COURSE TRANSACTIONS

RETURNS: N/A

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

Begin

Call FORMAT TO TRANSACTION SCREEN

Call PUT TRANSACTION SCREEN (TRANSACTION SCREEN)

End

CALLED BY: GET VALID NPS SCHEDULING SYSTEM TRANSACTION

GET VALID DATA MAINTENANCE TRANSACTION

GET VALID EVENT/COURSE SCHEDULING TRANSACTION

GET VALID FILE UPDATE TRANSACTION

MODULE: FORMAT TO COURSE/LAB SCHEDULING SCREEN

PURPOSE: To format the screen for TIME PERIOD and ROOM

entry.

USES: N/A

RETURNS: COURSE/LAB SCHEDULING SCREEN

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

1. Format screen for COURSE/LAB TIME PERIOD and ROOM entry.

CALLED BY: DISPLAY COURSE/LAB SCHEDULING SCREEN

MODULE: FORMAT TO FILE SCREEN

PURPOSE: To format the CRT screen for filename entry.

USES: N/A

RETURNS: FILE SCREEN

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

1. Format screen with filename entry data and prompt.

CALLED BY: DISPLAY FILE SCREEN

MODULE: FORMAT TO HELP SCREEN

PURPOSE: To format the CRT screen for help instructions.

USES: HELP INSTRUCTIONS

RETURNS: HELP SCREEN

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

1. Format screen with given HELP INSTRUCTIONS.

CALLED BY: DISPLAY HELP SCREEN

MODULE: FORMAT TO PASSWORD SCREEN

PURPOSE: To format the CRT screen for password entry.

USES: N/A

RETURNS: PASSWORD SCREEN

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

1. Format screen with password entry data and prompt.

CALLED BY: DISPLAY PASSWORD SCREEN

MODULE: FORMAT TO PRINT SCREEN

PURPOSE: To format the CRT screen for print item query.

USES: N/A

RETURNS: PRINT SCREEN

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

1. Format screen with item query data and prompt.

CALLED BY: DISPLAY PRINT SCREEN

MODULE: FORMAT TO SCHEDULE CONFLICT/ALTERNATIVE SCREEN

PURPOSE: To format the screen for ALTERNATIVE SELECTION.

USES: N/A

RETURNS: SCHEDULE CONFLICT/ALTERNATIVES SCREEN

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

1. Format screen for selection of displayed alternative TIME PERIODs.

CALLED BY: DISPLAY SCHEDULE CONFLICT/ALTERNATIVES SCREEN

MODULE: FORMAT TO SCHEDULE RECORD SCREEN

PURPOSE: To format the CRT screen for schedule record

queries by system user.

USES: N/A

RETURNS: SCHEDULE RECORD SCREEN

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

1. Format screen with schedule record query dqtq and prompt.

CALLED BY: DISPLAY SCHEDULE RECORD SCREEN

MODULE: FORMAT TO TRANSACTION SCREEN

PURPOSE: To format the CRT screen for TRANSACTION entry.

USES: N/A

RETURNS: TRANSACTION SCREEN

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

1. Format screen with TRANSACTION entry data and prompt.

CALLED BY: DISPLAY TRANSACTION SCREEN

MODULE: GET ALTERNATIVE SELECTION

PURPOSE: To get an ALTERNATIVE SELECTION, from a list of

ALTERNATIVES, entered by the system user.

USES: N/A

RETURNS: ALTERNATIVE SELECTION

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS: (Pre-defined)

1. Enter ALTERNATIVE SELECTION.

CALLED BY: VALIDATE AND ECHO SCHEDULE CONFLICT/ALTERNATIVES SCREEN

MODULE: GET DATE

PURPOSE: To get the current date from the operating system.

USES: N/A

RETURNS: DATE

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS: (Pre-defined)

1. Get current date from operating system.

CALLED BY: SAVE TO PERTINENT FILE/RECORD

UPDATE SCHEDULE RECORDS

MODULE: GET FILE NAME

PURPOSE: To get a FILENAME from system user.

USES: N/A

RETURNS: FILENAME

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS: (Pre-defined)

1. Enter FILENAME.

CALLED BY: VALIDATE AND ECHO FILE SCREEN

MODULE: GET ITEM PRINT QUERY

PURPOSE: To get a query on an item to print from the system

user.

USES: N/A

RETURNS: ITEM QUERY

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS: (Pre-defined)

1. Enter ITEM PRINT QUERY.

CALLED BY: VALIDATE AND ECHO PRINT SCREEN

MODULE: GET ROOM

PURPOSE: To get a ROOM, for a given course/lab, entered by

the system user.

USES: N/A

RETURNS: ROOM NUMBER

BUILDING CODE

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS: (Pre-defined)

1. Enter BUILDING CODE and ROOM NUMBER.

CALLED BY: VALIDATE AND ECHO COURSE/LAB SCHEDULING SCREEN

MODULE: GET SCHEDULE CHANGES

PURPOSE: To get the schedule information changes for

updating schedule records.

USES: N/A

RETURNS: SCHED INFO

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

1. Get the schedule information changes for a particular course and its related SCHED RECORDS.

2. Return the schedule info.

CALLED BY: UPDATE SCHEDULE RECORDS

MODULE: GET SCHEDULE RECORD QUERY

PURPOSE: To get a SCHEDULE RECORD QUERY from the system

user.

USES: N/A

RETURNS: SCHEDULE RECORD QUERY

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS: (Pre-defined)

1. Enter SCHEDULE RECORD QUERY

CALLED BY: VALIDATE AND ECHO COURSE/LAB SCHEDULING SCREEN

MODULE: GET TIME PERIOD

PURPOSE: To get a TIME PERIOD, for a given course/lab,

entered by the system user.

USES: N/A

RETURNS: DAY

TIME

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS: (Pre-defined)

1. Enter DAY(s) and TIME(s).

CALLED BY: VALIDATE AND ECHO COURSE/LAB SCHEDULING SCREEN

MODULE: GET TRANSACCTION

PURPOSE: To get TRANSACTION from system user.

USES: N/A

RETURNS: TRANSACTION

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS: (Pre-defined)

1. Enter TRANSACTION.

CALLED BY: VALIDATE AND ECHO TRANSACTION SCREEN

MODULE: GET USER PASSWORD

PURPOSE: To get the password from the system user.

USES: N/A

RETURNS: USER PASSWORD

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS: (Pre-defined)

1. Enter USER PASSWORD.

CALLED BY: VALIDATE AND ECHO PASSWORD SCREEN

MODULE: GET VALID DATA MAINTENANCE TRANSACTION

PURPOSE: To get a valid data maintenance transaction.

USES: N/A

RETURNS: VALID TRANSACTION

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

Begin

Call DISPLAY TRANSACTION SCREEN (DATA MAINTENANCE TRANSACTIONS)

Call VALIDATE AND ECHO TRANSACTION SCREEN

RETURN VALID TRANSACTION

End

CALLED BY: SCHEDULING DATA MAINTENANCE

MODULE: GET VALID EVENT/COURSE SCHEDULING TRANSACTION

PURPOSE: To get a valid event/course scheduling transaction.

USES: N/A

RETURNS: VALID TRANSACTION

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

Begin

Call DISPLAY TRANSACTION SCREEN (EVENT/COURSE TRANSACTIONS)

Call VALIDATE AND ECHO TRANSACTION SCREEN

Return VALID TRANSACTION

End

CALLED BY: MANAGE EVENT/COURSE SCHEDULING

MODULE: GET VALID FILE

PURPOSE: To get a valid file to update.

USES: N/A

RETURNS: VALID FILE

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

Begin

Call DISPLAY FILE SCREEN

Call VALIDATE AND ECHO FILE SCREEN

RETURN VALID FILE

End

CALLED BY: UPDATE DATABASE FILES

REVIEW OLD SCHEDULE FILE

DELETE SCHEDULE FILE

MODULE: GET VALID FILE NAME

PURPOSE: To get a VALID FILE NAME for a newly created file.

USES: N/A

RETURNS: VALID FILE NAME

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

Begin

Call DISPLAY FILE SCREEN

Call VALIDATE AND ECHO FILE SCREEN

Return VALID FILE NAME

End

CALLED BY: SAVE TO MASTER SCHEDULE FILE

MODULE: GET VALID FILE UPDATE TRANSACTION

PURPOSE: To get a valid file update transaction.

USES: N/A

RETURNS: VALID TRANSACTION

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

Begin

Call DISPLAY TRANSACTION SCREEN (UPDATE TRANSACTIONS)

Call VALIDATE AND ECHO TRANSACTION SCREEN

Return VALID TRANSACTION

End

CALLED BY: UPDATE DATABASE FILE

MODULE: GET VALID ITEM TO PRINT

PURPOSE: To get a valid file, record or report to print.

USES: N/A

RETURNS: VALID ITEM

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

Begin

Call DISPLAY PRINT SCREEN

Call VALIDATE AND ECHO PRINT SCREEN

Return VALID ITEM

End

CALLED BY: PRINT FILE, RECORD, REPORT

MODULE: GET VALID NPS SCHEDULING SYSTEM TRANSACTION

PURPOSE: To get a valid NPS Scheduling System transaction.

USES: N/A

RETURNS: VALID TRANSACTION

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

Begin

Call DISPLAY TRANSACTION SCREEN (NPS3

TRANSACTIONS)

Call VALIDATE AND ECHO TRANSACTION SCREEN

Return VALID TRANSACTION

End

CALLED BY: NPS SCHEDULING SYSTEM

MODULE: GET VALID PASSWORD

PURPOSE: To get a valid password from the user, in order to

allow the user to enter the NPS scheduling system.

USES: N/A

RETURNS: ENTER

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

Begin

Call DISPLAY PASSWORD SCREEN

Call VALIDATE AND ECHO PASSWORD SCREEN

If flag = VALID PASSWORD

Return ENTER

End if

End

CALLED BY: NPS SCHEDULING SYSTEM

MODULE: GET VALID SCHEDULE RECORD TO UPDATE

PURPOSE: To get the VALID SCHEDULE RECORDS the system user

wishes to update.

USES: N/A

RETURNS: VALID SCHEDULE RECORDS

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

Begin

Call DISPLAY SCHEDULE RECORD SCREEN

Call VALIDATE AND ECHO SCHEDULE RECORD SCREEN

Return VALID SCHEDULE RECORDS

End

CALLED BY: UPDATE SCHEDULE FILE

MODULE: GET VALID TIME PERIOD AND ROOM

To get a VALID TIME PERIOD and VALID ROOM for a PURPOSE:

given course/course segment and lab.

SCREEN INDICATOR USES:

COURSE SEGMENT SCREEN INFO

RETURNS: VALID TIME PERIOD

VALID ROOM

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

Begin

Call DISPLAY COURSE/LAB SCHEDULING SCREEN (COURSE SEGMENT SCREEN INFO, SCREEN INDICATOR)

Call VALIDATE AND ECHO COURSE/LAB SCHEDULING

SCREEN

Return (VALID TIME PERIOD, VALID ROOM)

End

CALLED BY: SCHEDULE REFRESHER COURSES

SCHEDULE COURSES w/ REQUIRED TIME PERIOD SCHEDULE COURSES w/ REQUIRED TIME PERIOD FOR

SCHEDULE COURSES w/ LARGE # OF STUDENTS

SCHEDULE COURSES TAUGHT BY DEAN/CHAIRMAN SCHEDULE SIMULTANEOUS SCHEDULED COURSES

SCHEDULE ACCELERATED COURSES

SCHEDULE COURSES W/ DESIGNATED STUDENT COURSE GRPS

SCHEDULE COURSES REQUIRING SPECIAL ROOMS

SCHEDULE COURSES W/ 3 HOUR LABS

SCHEDULE COURSES W/ REQUIRED LAB ROOM AND TIME

PERIOD

SCHEDULE COURSES W/ DIVERSITY OF MAJORS

SCHEDULE COURSES W/ TEACHING TEAMS

SCHEDULE REMAINING COURSES

MODULE: MANAGE EVENT/COURSE SCHEDULING

PURPOSE: To manage the scheduling of semi-permanant events

and courses.

USES: N/A

RETURNS: N/A

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

Begin Loop

Call GET VALID EVENT/COURSE SCHEDULING

TRANSACTION

Case VALID TRANSACTION

When VALID TRANSACTION = CREATE Call CREATE NEW SCHEDULES

When VALID TRANSACTION = REVIEW
Call REVIEW OLD SCHEDULE FILE
When VALID TRANSACTION = PRINT
Call PRINT FILE, RECORD, REPORT

When VALID TRANSACTION = DELETE

Call DELETE SCHEDULE FILE

End Case End loop

End

CALLED BY: NPS SCHEDULING SYSTEM

MODULE: MODIFY DATA RECORD

PURPOSE: To modify a data record in the given file.

USES: VALID FILE

RETURNS: N/A

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS: (Pre-defined)

1. Modify a record in the VALID FILE.

CALLED BY: UPDATE DATABASE FILES

MODULE: NPS SCHEDULING SYSTEM

To coordinate the scheduling of NPS events, courses PURPOSE:

and final exams, and associated schedules, reports,

graphs and data maintenance.

USES: N/A

RETURNS: N/A

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

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Begin
  CALL GET VALID PASSWORD
  If flag = ENTER
    Loop
      Call GET VALID NPS SCHEDULING SYSTEM
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TRANSACTION

Case VALID TRANSACTION

When VALID TRANSACTION = DATA MAINTENANCE

Call SCHEDULING DATA MAINTENANCE When VALID TRANSACTION = EVENT/COURSE

SCHEDULING

Call MANAGE EVENT/COURSE SCHEDULING

When VALID TRANSACTION = FINAL EXAM

SCHEDULING

Call MANAGE FINAL EXAM SCHEDULING

When VALID TRANSACTION = MASTER INSTRUCTION

SCHEDULE

Call MANAGE MASTER INSTRUCION SCHEDULE

When VALID TRANSACTION = DATA GRAPH

Call MANAGE SCHEDULING DATA GRAPH

End case

End loop

End if

End

CALLED BY: N/A

MODULE: PRINT

PURPOSE: To print the VALID ITEM.

USES: VALID ITEM

RETURNS: N/A

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS: (Pre-defined)

1. Print the VALID ITEM.

CALLED BY: PRINT FILE, RECORD, REPORT

MODULE: PRINT FILE, RECORD, REPORT

PURPOSE: To coordinate printing of files, records and

reports.

USES: N/A

RETURNS: N/A

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

Begin Loop

Call GET VALID ITEM TO PRINT

Call PRINT (ITEM)

End loop

End

CALLED BY: SCHEDULING DATA MAINTENANCE

MANAGE EVENT/COURSE SCHEDULING

MODULE: PUT ALTERNATIVE SELECTION TO SCHED RECORDS

PURPOSE: To put the alternative selected to the related

SCHED RECORDS.

USES: SCHED RECORDS

UPDATED SCHED INFO

RETURNS: UPDATED SCHED RECORDS

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS: (Pre-defined)

1. For each SCHED RECORD, put appropriate SCHED INFO in the slot where UPDATED SCHED INFO.TIME

PERIOD = SCHED RECORD.TIME PERIOD.

CALLED BY: RESOLVE SCHEDULE RECORD CONFLICTS

RESOLVE UPDATE CONFLICTS

MODULE: PUT COURSE/LAB SCHEDULING SCREEN

PURPOSE: To display the COURSE/LAB SCHEDULING SCREEN on the

CRT.

USES: COURSE/LAB SCHEDULING SCREEN

INVALID TIME PERIOD MESSAGE

INVALID ROOM MESSAGE

RETURNS: N/A

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS: (Pre-defined)

1. Display the COURSE/LAB SCHEDULING SCREEN on the CRT screen.

2. Display INVALID TIME PERIOD MESSAGE or INVALID ROOM MESSAGE when appropriate.

CALLED BY: DISPLAY COURSE/LAB SCHEDULING SCREEN

VALIDATE AND ECHO COURSE/LAB SCHEDULING SCREEN

MODULE: PUT FILE SCREEN

PURPOSE: To display the FILE SCREEN on the CRT.

USES:

FILE SCREEN

INVALID FILE MESSAGE

RETURNS: N/A

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS: (Pre-defined)

Display the FILE SCREEN on the CRT screen.
 DISPLAY INVALID FILE MESSAGE when appropriate.

CALLED BY: DISPLAY FILE SCREEN

VALIDATE AND ECHO FILE SCREEN

MODULE: PUT HELP SCREEN

PURPOSE: To display the help screen on the CRT.

USES: HELP SCREEN

RETURNS: N/A

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS: (Pre-defined)

1. Display the given HELP SCREEN on the CRT screen.

CALLED BY: DISPLAY HELP SCREEN

MODULE: PUT PASSWORD SCREEN

PURPOSE: To display the password screen on the CRT.

USES: PASSWORD SCREEN

INVALID PASSWORD MESSAGE 1
INVALID PASSWORD MESSAGE 2

RETURNS: N/A

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS: (Pre-defined)

1. Display the password screen on the CRT screen.

2. DISPLAY INVALID PASSWORD MESSAGE 1 or INVALID PASSWORD MESSAGE 2 when appropriate.

CALLED BY: DISPLAY PASSWORD SCREEN

VALIDATE AND ECHO PASSWORD SCREEN

MODULE: PUT PRINT SCREEN

PURPOSE: To display the print screen on the CRT.

USES: PRINT SCREEN

INVALID PRINT MESSAGE

RETURNS: N/A

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS: (Pre-defined)

1. Display the PRINT SCREEN on the CRT screen.

2. Display INVALID PRINT MESSAGE when appropriate.

CALLED BY: DISPLAY PRINT SCREEN

VALIDATE AND ECHO PRINT SCREEN

MODULE: PUT SCHEDULE CONFLICT/ALTERNATIVES SCREEN

PURPOSE: To display the SCHEDULE CONFLICT/ALTERNATIVES

SCREEN on the CRT.

USES: SCHEDULE CONFLICT/ALTERNATIVES SCREEN

INVALID SELECTION MESSAGE

RETURNS: N/A

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS: (Pre-defined)

1. Display the SCHEDULE CONFLICT/ALTERNATIVES SCREEN on the CRT screen.

2. Display INVALID SELECTION MESSAGE when appropriate.

CALLED BY: DISPLAY SCHEDULE CONFLICT/ALTERNATIVES SCREEN
VALIDATE AND ECHO SCHEDULE CONFLICT/ALTERNATIVES
SCREEN

MODULE: PUT SCHEDULE RECORD SCREEN

PURPOSE: To display the SCHEDULE RECORD SCREEN on the CRT.

USES: SCHEDULE RECORD SCREEN

INVALID SCHEDULE RECORD MESSAGE

RETURNS: N/A

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS: (Pre-defined)

1. Display the SCHEDULE RECORD SCREEN on the CRT screen.

2. Display INVALID SCHEDULE RECORD MESSAGE when appropriate.

CALLED BY: DISPLAY SCHEDULE RECORD SCREEN

VALIDATE AND ECHO SCHEDULE RECORD SCREEN

MODULE: PUT TRANSACTION SCREEN

PURPOSE: To display the TRANSACTION SCREEN on the CRT

screen.

USES: TRANSACTION SCREEN

INVALID TRANSACTION MESSAGE

RETURNS: N/A

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS: (Pre-defined)

1. Display the TRANSACTION SCREEN on the CRT screen.

2. Display the INVALID TRANSACTION MESSAGE when appropriate.

CALLED BY: DISPLAY TRANSACTION SCREEN

VALIDATE AND ECHO TRANSACTION SCREEN

MODULE: READ COURSE FILE

PURPOSE: To read the COURSE FILE.

USES: NULL STATUS

REFRESHER COURSE COURSE REQUIRED TIME INSTRUC REQUIRED TIME

COURSE TYPE COURSE NUMBER

SIMULTANEOUS SCHED COURSE

ACCELERATED COURSE

SPECIAL ROOM REQUIREMENT

LAB HRS

REOUIRED LAB ROOM DIVERSITY OF MAJORS

RETURNS: COURSE INFO

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS: (Pre-defined)

- Read the next COURSE RECORD, until EOF where the given data matches the COURSE RECORD data and where COURSE RECORD.STATUS is NULL STATUS.
- Read the next COURSE RECORD, until EOF, where COURSE RECORD.COURSE TYPE and COURSE RECORD.COURSE NUMBER equals the given COURSE TYPE and COURSE NUMBER, respectively.
- 3. Return the desired COURSE INFO.

SCHEDULE REFRESHER COURSES CALLED BY:

SCHEDULE COURSES w/ REQUIRED TIME PERIOD

SCHEDULE COURSES w/ REQUIRED TIME PERIOD FOR

INSTRUCTOR

SCHEDULE COURSES w/ LARGE # OF STUDENTS SCHEDULE COURSES TAUGHT BY DEAN/CHAIRMAN SCHEDULE SIMULTANEOUS SCHEDULED COURSES

SCHEDULE ACCELERATED COURSES

SCHEDULE COURSES W/ DESIGNATED STUDENT COURSE GRPS

SCHEDULE COURSES REQUIRING SPECIAL ROOMS

SCHEDULE COURSES W/ 3 HOUR LABS
SCHEDULE COURSES W/ REQUIRED LAB ROOM AND TIME

PERIOD

SCHEDULE COURSES W/ DIVERSITY OF MAJORS SCHEDULE COURSES W/ TEACHING TEAMS

SCHEDULE REMAINING COURSES

MODULE: READ COURSE SEGMENT FILE

PURPOSE: To read the COURSE SEGMENT FILE.

USES: COURSE TYPE

COURSE NUMBER
NULL STATUS

SEGMENT STUDENTS

INSTRUC CODE

DESIGNATED STUDENT COURSE GRP

TEACHING TEAM

RETURNS: COURSE SEGMENT RECORD

EOF

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS: (Pre-defined)

Begin

Read next COURSE SEGMENT RECORD

For COURSE SEGMENT RECORD.COURSE TYPE = COURSE TYPE and COURSE SEGMENT RECORD.COURSE

NUMBER = COURSE NUMBER

Return COURSE SEGMENT RECORD

For COURSE SEGMENT RECORD.STATUS = NULL STATUS and COURSE SEGMENT.SEGMENT STUDENTS >= SEGMENT STUDENTS

Return COURSE SEGMENT RECORD

For COURSE SEGMENT RECORD.INSTRUC CODE = INSTRUC
CODE and COURSE SEGMENT RECORD.STATUS =
NULLSTATUS

Return COURSE SEGMENT RECORD

For COURSE SEGMENT RECORD.STATUS = NULL STATUS
and COURSE SEGMENT.DESIGNATED STUDENT
COURSE GRP not null

Return COURSE SEGMENT RECORD

For COURSE SEGMENT RECORD.STATUS = NULL STATUS and COURSE SEGMENT.TEACHING TEAM not null

Return COURSE SEGMENT RECORD

For EOF

Return EOF

End

CALLED BY: SCHEDULE REFRESHER COURSES

SCHEDULE COURSES w/ REQUIRED TIME PERIOD

SCHEDULE COURSES w/ REQUIRED TIME PERIOD FOR

INSTRUCTOR

SCHEDULE COURSES w/ LARGE # OF STUDENTS

SCHEDULE COURSES TAUGHT BY DEAN/CHAIRMAN

SCHEDULE SIMULTANEOUS SCHEDULED COURSES

SCHEDULE ACCELERATED COURSES

SCHEDULE COURSES W/ DESIGNATED STUDENT COURSE GRPS

SCHEDULE COURSES REQUIRING SPECIAL ROOMS

SCHEDULE COURSES W/ 3 HOUR LABS
SCHEDULE COURSES W/ REQUIRED LAB ROOM AND TIME

PERIOD

SCHEDULE COURSES W/ DIVERSITY OF MAJORS SCHEDULE COURSES W/ TEACHING TEAMS

SCHEDULE REMAINING COURSES

MODULE: READ FILE

PURPOSE: To read the given file.

USES: FILENAME

RETURNS: FILE

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS: (Pre-defined)

1. Read the FILE that matches the

FILENAME given.

CALLED BY: VALIDATE AND ECHO FILE SCREEN

MODULE: READ HELP INSTRUCTION FILE

PURPOSE: To read the file containing help instructions for

system screen displays.

USES: HELP SCREEN INDICATOR

RETURNS: HELP INSTRUCTIONS

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS: (Pre-defined)

1. Read the file containing the HELP INSTRUCTIONS.

2. RETURN the HELP INSTRUCTIONS for the given HELP

SCREEN INDICATOR.

CALLED BY: DETERMINE HELP INSTRUCTIONS

MODULE: READ INSTRUC SCHED FILE

PURPOSE: To read the INSTRUC SCHED FILE and find the related

INSTRUC SCHED RECORDS.

USES: INSTRUC CODE

RETURNS: INSTRUC SCHED RECORD

EOF (flag)

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS: (Pre-defined)

1. Read the INSTRUC SCHED FILE and return the related INSTRUC SCHED RECORDS pertaining to the given INSTRUC CODE.

2. Read the Instructor schedule file and return all the INSTRUC SCHED RECORDS for saving to master schedule file.

CALLED BY: DETERMINE MBRSHP SCHEDS AND ROOM SCHED
DETERMINE RELATED SCHEDULE RECORD COMFLICTS
SAVE TO MASTER SCHEDULE FILE

MODULE: READ INSTRUCTOR FILE

PURPOSE: To read the Instructor file.

USES: DEPT CHAIR OR DEAN

RETURNS: FACULTY CODE

DEPT LTR CODE

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS: (Pre-defined)

1. Read the next Instructor record and return the FACULTY CODE and DEPT LTR CODE for the Instructor that has a DEPT CHAIR OR DEAN indicator.

CALLED BY: SCHEDULE COURSES TAUGHT BY DEAN/CHAIRMAN

MODULE: READ M/F E-Z CLASS DEMAND LIST FILE

PURPOSE: To read the mainframe file containing course

information.

USES: N/A

RETURNS: COURSE TYPE

COURSE NUMBER

LECT HRS LAB HRS

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS: (Pre-defined)

1. Read the mainframe file containing course

information.

CALLED BY: UPDATE COURSE/COURSE SEGMENT FILES

MODULE: READ M/F PROFESSOR LISTING FILE

PURPOSE: To read the mainframe file containing Faculty

information.

USES: N/A

RETURNS: FACULTY NAME

FACULTY CODE DEPT LTR CODE

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS: (Pre-defined)

1. Read the mainframe file containing Faculty

information.

CALLED BY: UPDATE FACULTY FILE

MODULE: READ M/F SCG SECT FILE

PURPOSE: To read the mainframe file containing STUDENT

COURSE GRP records.

USES: COURSE TYPE

COURSE NUMBER

RETURNS: SECT SCG RECORD

EDF (flag)

SCG CARD NUMBER

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS: (Pre-defined)

1. Read the mainframe file containing STUDENT

COURSE GRP records.

CALLED BY: UPDATE STUDENT COURSE CROUP FILE

UPDATE COURSE/COURSE SEGMENT FILES

MODULE: READ M/F STUDENT SECT FILE

PURPOSE: To read the mainframe file containing student

records.

USES: N/A

RETURNS: EOF

SECT STUDENT RECORD

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS: (Pre-defined)

1. Read the mainframe file containing student

records.

CALLED BY: UPDATE STUDENT FILE

MODULE: READ ROOM SCHED FILE

PURPOSE: To read the ROOM SCHED FILE and find the related

ROOM SCHED RECORD.

USES: ROOM

RETURNS: ROOM SCHED RECORD

EOF (flag)

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS: (Pre-defined)

1. Read the ROOM SCHED FILE and return the related ROOM SCHED RECORD pertaining to the given ROOM.

2. Read the ROOM schedule file and return all ROOM SCHED RECORDS to save to master schedule file.

CALLED BY: DETERMINE MBRSHP SCHEDS AND ROOM SCHED

DETERMINE RELATED SCHEDULE RECORD CONFLICTS

SAVE TO MASTER SCHEDULE FILE

MODULE: READ SCG SCHED FILE

PURPOSE: To read the SCG SCHED FILE and find all related

SCG SCHED RECORDS.

USES: DESIGNATED STUDENT COURSE GRP'S

RETURNS: SCG SCHED RECORD

EOF (flag)

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS: (Pre-defined)

1. Read the SCG SCHED FILE and return all the related SCG SCHED RECORDS pertaining to the given DESIGNATED STUDENT COURSE GRP'S.

 Read the SCG schedule file and return all SCG SCHED RECORDS to be saved to master schedule file.

CALLED BY: DETERMINE MBRSHP SCHEDS AND ROOM SCHED
DETERMINE RELATED SCHEDULE RECORD CONFLICTS

SAVE TO MASTER SCHEDULE FILE

MODULE: READ SCHEDULE RECORDS

PURPOSE: To read the schedule records pertaining to the

SCHEDULE RECORD QUERY.

USES: SCHEDULE RECORD QUERY

RETURNS: SCHED RECORDS

NOT FOUND (flag)

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS: (Pre-defined)

1. Read the SCHED RECORDS that pertain to the

given SCHEDULE RECORD QUERY.

CALLED BY: VALIDATE AND ECHO SCHEDULE RECORD SCREEN

MODULE: READ SCREEN

PURPOSE: To read the screen currently displayed on the CRT.

USES: N/A

RETURNS: FLAG TYPE (flag)

PRINT SCREEN
PASSWORD SCREEN

COURSE/LAB SCHEDULING SCREEN

PASSWORD HELP SCREEN
TRANSACTION SCREEN

FILE SCREEN

SCHEDULE CONFLICT/ALTERNATIVES SCREEN

SCHEDULE RECORD SCREEN

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS: (Pre-defined)

1. READ the screen and return user designated

FLAG TYPE entry.

CALLED BY: VALIDATE AND ECHO PASSWORD SCREEN

DETERMINE HELP INSTRUCTIONS

VALIDATE AND ECHO TRANSACTION SCREEN

VALIDATE AND ECHO FILE SCREEN VALIDATE AND ECHO PRINT SCREEN

VALIDATE AND ECHO COURSE/LAB SCHEDULING SCREEN
VALIDATE AND ECHO SCHEDULE CONFLICT/ALTERNATIVES
SCREEN

VALIDATE AND ECHO SCHEDULE RECORD SCREEN

MODULE: READ SEMI-PERM EVENT FILE

PURPOSE: To read the SEMI-PERM EVENT FILE.

USES: N/A

RETURNS: EOF (flag)

SEMI-PERM EVENT RECORD

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS: (Pre-defined)

1. Read the SEMI-PERM EVENT FILE and return SEMI-PERM EVENT RECORD each time called until EOF is reached.

CALLED BY: DETERMINE SEMI-PERM EVENT AND EVENT MBRSHP

MODULE: READ SEMI-PERM EVENT MBRSHP FILE

PURPOSE: To read the SEMI-PERM EVENT MBRSHP FILE

USES: EVENT TYPE EVENT NAME

RETURNS: MBRSHP

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS: (Pre-defined)

1. Read the SEMI-PERM EVENT MBSHP FILE and return all the MBRSHP RECORDS that relate to the given event.

CALLED BY: DETERMINE SEMI-PERM EVENT AND EVENT MBRSHP

MODULE: READ SYSTEM PASSWORD FILE

PURPOSE: To read the system password.

USES: N/A

RETURNS: SYSTEM PASSWORD

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS: (Pre-defined)

1. Read the file containing the system password.

CALLED BY: VALIDATE AND ECHO PASSWORD SCREEN

MODULE: RESOLVE SCHED RECORD CONFLICT

PURPOSE: To allow the system user to resolve TIME PERIOD

SCHEDULE CONFLICTS.

USES: SCHED INFO

RETURNS: UPDATED SCHED RECORDS

UPDATED SCHED INFO .

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

Begin

Call DETERMINE RELATED SCHEDULE RECORD CONFLICTS

(SCHED INFO)

If NO CONFLICT (flag) is returned

Return (UPDATED SCHED RECORDS, SCHED INFO as

UPDATED SCHED INFO)

Else

Call SEARCH for ALTERNATIVES (SCHED RECORDS)

Call DISPLAY SCHEDULE CONFLICTS/ALTERNATIVES

SCREEN (ALTERNATIVES, SCHEDULE CONFLICTS)

Call VALIDATE AND ECHO SCHEDULE

CONFLICT/ALTERNATIVESSCREEN

SCHED INFO.TIME PERIOD := VALID ALTERNATIVE

SELECTION

UPDATED SCHED INFO := SCHED INFO

Call PUT ALTERNATIVE SELECTION TO SCHEDULE

RECORDS (UPDATED SCHED

INFO, SCHED RECORDS)

Return (UPDATED SCHED RECORDS, UPDATED SCHED

INFO)

End if

End

CALLED BY: SCHEDULE REFRESHER COURSES

SCHEDULE COURSES w/ REQUIRED TIME PERIOD

SCHEDULE COURSES w/ REQUIRED TIME PERIOD FOR

INSTRUCTOR

SCHEDULE COURSES w/ LARGE # OF STUDENTS

SCHEDULE COURSES TAUGHT BY DEAN/CHAIRMAN

SCHEDULE SIMULTANEOUS SCHEDULED COURSES

SCHEDULE ACCELERATED COURSES

SCHEDULE COURSES W/ DESIGNATED STUDENT COURSE GRPS

SCHEDULE COURSES REQUIRING SPECIAL ROOMS

SCHEDULE COURSES W/ 3 HOUR LABS

SCHEDULE COURSES W/ REQUIRED LAB ROOM AND TIME

PERIOD

SCHEDULE COURSES W/ DIVERSITY OF MAJORS

SCHEDULE COURSES W/ TEACHING TEAMS

SCHEDULE REMAINING COURSES

MODULE: RESOLVE UPDATE CONFLICTS

PURPOSE: To resolve the conflicts pertaining to updates made

to SCHED RECORDS.

USES: SCHED INFO

SCHEDULE CONFLICT SCHED RECORDS

RETURNS: UPDATED SCHED RECORDS

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

Begin

Call SEARCH FOR ALTERNATIVES (SCHED RECORDS)

Call DISPLAY SCHEDULE/ALTERNATIVES SCREEN

(ALTERNATIVES, SCHEDULE CONFLICT)

Call VALIDATE AND ECHO SCHEDULE

CONFLICT/ALTERNATIVES SCREEN

SCHED INFO.TIME PERIOD := VALID ALTERNATIVE

SELECTION

UPDATED SCHED INFO := SCHED INFO

Call PUT ALTERNATIVE SELECTION TO SCHEDULE

RECORDS (UPDATED SCHED INFO, SCHED RECORDS)

Return (UPDATED SCHED RECORDS)

End

CALLED BY: UPDATE SCHEDULE RECORDS

MODULE: SAVE TO MASTER SCHEDULE FILE

PURPOSE: To coordinate saving created schedule records to a

master schedule file.

USES: N/A

RETURNS: N/A

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

Begin

Call GET VALID FILE NAME

Call VALIDATE AND ECHO FILE SCREEN

Call READ INSTRUC SCHED FILE Call READ ROOM SCHED FILE

Call READ STUDENT COURSE GRP SCHED FILE

Call WRITE MASTER SCHEDULE FILE (VALID FILE NAME,

SCHED RECORDS)

End

CALLED BY: CREATE NEW SCHEDULES

MODULE: SAVE TO PERTINENT FILE/RECORD

PURPOSE: To save the updated records and information to the

affected files and records.

USES: UPDATED SCHED RECORDS

VALID TIME PERIOD

NO OF COURSE SEGMENTS

RETURNS: N/A

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

Begin

STATUS := DONE

If UPDATED SCHED INFO.SEGMENT NUMBER = NO OF

COURSE SEGMENTS

Call UPDATE COURSE RECORD (STATUS, COURSE

TYPE, COURSE NUMBER)

Endif

Call UPDATE COURSE SEGMENT RECORD (STATUS,

VALID TIME PERIOD,

COURSE TYPE, COURSE NUMBER)

Call GET DATE

Call WRITE STUDENT COURSE GRP SCHED FILE (DATE,

UPDATED STUDENT COURSE GRP SCHED

RECORD)

Call WRITE ROOM SCHED FILE (DATE, UPDATED ROOM

SCHEDRECORD)

Call WRITE INSTRUC SCHED FILE (DATE, UPDATED

INSTRUC SCHED RECORD)

End

CALLED BY: SCHEDULE REFRESHER COURSES

SCHEDULE COURSES w/ REQUIRED TIME PERIOD

SCHEDULE COURSES w/ REQUIRED TIME PERIOD FOR

INSTRUCTOR

SCHEDULE COURSES w/ LARGE # OF STUDENTS

SCHEDULE COURSES TAUGHT BY DEAN/CHAIRMAN

SCHEDULE SIMULTANEOUS SCHEDULED COURSES

SCHEDULE ACCELERATED COURSES

SCHEDULE COURSES W/ DESIGNATED STUDENT COURSE GRPS

SCHEDULE COURSES REQUIRING SPECIAL ROOMS

SCHEDULE COURSES W/ 3 HOUR LABS

SCHEDULE COURSES W/ REQUIRED LAB ROOM AND TIME

PERIOD

SCHEDULE COURSES W/ DIVERSITY OF MAJORS

SCHEDULE COURSES W/ TEACHING TEAMS

SCHEDULE REMAINING COURSES

MODULE: SCHEDULE ACCELERATED COURSES

PURPOSE: To coordinate scheduling of courses that are

accelerated courses.

USES: N/A

RETURNS: N/A

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

Begin

Loop until EOF

Call READ COURSE FILE (NULL STATUS, ACCELERATED

COURSE)

Loop until Course Segment EOF

Call READ COURSE SEGMENT FILE (COURSE TYPE,

COURSE NUMBER)

Call GET VALID TIME PERIOD AND ROOM (COURSE

SEGMENT SCREEN INFO, SCREEN INDICATOR)

Call RESOLVE SCHEDULE RECORD CONFLICTS (SCHED

INFO)

Call SAVE TO PERTINENT FILE/RECORD (UPDATED

SCHED RECORDS, VALID TIME PERIOD,

NO OF SEGMENTS, COURSE TYPE,

COURSE NUMBER)

End loop End loop

End

MODULE: SCHEDULE COURSES REQUIRING SPECIAL ROOMS

To coordinate scheduling courses requiring special PURPOSE:

rooms for instruction.

N/A USES:

N/A **RETURNS:**

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

Begin

Loop until EOF

Call READ COURSE FILE (NULL STATUS, SPECIAL

ROOM REQUIREMENT)

Loop until Course Segment EOF

Call READ COURSE SEGMENT FILE (COURSE TYPE,

COURSE NUMBER)

Call GET VALID TIME PERIOD AND ROOM (COURSE

SEGMENT SCREEN INFO, SCREEN INDICATOR) Call RESOLVE SCHEDULE RECORD CONFLICTS (SCHED

INFO)

Call SAVE TO PERTINENT FILE/RECORD (UPDATED SCHED RECORDS, VALID TIME PERIOD,

NO OF SEGMENTS, COURSE TYPE,

COURSE NUMBER)

End loop End loop

End

SCHEDULE COURSES TAUGHT BY DEAN/CHAIRMAN MODULE:

To coordinate scheduling courses taught by a Dean PURPOSE:

or Department Chairman.

N/A USES:

N/A RETURNS:

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

Begin

Loop until EOF

Call READ INSTRUCTOR FILE (DEPT CHAIR OR DEAN)

Loop until Course Segment EOF

Call READ COURSE SEGMENT FILE (NULL STATUS,

INSTRUC CODE)

Call READ COURSE FILE (COURSE TYPE, COURSE

NUMBER)

Call GET VALID TIME PERIOD AND ROOM (COURSE

SEGMENT SCREEN INFO, SCREEN INDICATOR)

Call RESOLVE SCHEDULE RECORD CONFLICTS (SCHED

INFO)

Call SAVE TO PERTINENT FILE/RECORD (UPDATED

SCHED RECORDS, VALID TIME PERIOD,

NO OF SEGMENTS, COURSE TYPE,

COURSE NUMBER)

End loop

If COURSE RECORD. SIMULTANEOUS SCHED COURSE not null

Call UPDATE SIMULTANEOUS SCHEDULED COURSE

(SIMULTANEOUS SCHED COURSE, VALID ROOM,

VALID TIME PERIOD)

Endif

End loop

End

MODULE: SCHEDULE COURSES W/ 3 HOUR LABS

PURPOSE: To coordinate scheduling courses that have 3 hour

laboratories.

USES: N/A

RETURNS: N/A

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

Begin

Loop until EOF

Call READ COURSE FILE (NULL STATUS, LAB HRS>/3)

Loop until Course Segment EOF

Call READ COURSE SEGMENT FILE (COURSE TYPE,

COURSE NUMBER)

Call GET VALID TIME PERIOD AND ROOM (COURSE

SEGMENT SCREEN INFO, SCREEN INDICATOR)

Call RESOLVE SCHEDULE RECORD CONFLICTS (SCHED

INFO)

Call SAVE TO PERTINENT FILE/RECORD (UPDATED SCHED RECORDS, VALID TIME PERIOD,

NO OF SEGMENTS, COURSE TYPE,

COURSE NUMBER)

End loop End loop

End

MODULE: SCHEDULE COURSES W/ DESIGNATED STUDENT COURSE GRPS

PURPOSE: To coordinate scheduling of courses that have

designated Student Course Groups.

USES: N/A

RETURNS: N/A

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

Begin

Loop until COURSE SEGMENT EOF

Call READ COURSE SEGMENT FILE (NULL STATUS,

DESIGNATED STUDENT COURSE GRP)

Call READ COURSE FILE (COURSE TYPE, COURSE

NUMBER)

Call GET VALID TIME PERIOD AND ROOM (COURSE

SEGMENT SCREEN INFO, SCREEN INDICATOR)

Call RESOLVE SCHEDULE RECORD CONFLICTS (SCHED

INFO)

Call SAVE TO PERTINENT FILE/RECORD (UPDATED

SCHED RECORDS, VALID TIME PERIOD,

NO OF SEGMENTS, COURSE TYPE,

COURSE NUMBER)

End loop

End

MODULE: SCHEDULE COURSES W/ DIVERSITY OF MAJORS

PURPOSE: To coordinate scheduling of courses that have a

diversity of majors in its enrollment.

USES: N/A

RETURNS: N/A

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

Begin

Loop until EOF

Call READ COURSE FILE (NULL STATUS, DIVERSITY

OF MAJORS)

Loop until Course Segment EOF

Call READ COURSE SEGMENT FILE (COURSE TYPE,

COURSE NUMBER)

Call GET VALID TIME PERIOD AND ROOM (COURSE

SEGMENT SCREEN INFO, SCREEN INDICATOR)

Call RESOLVE SCHEDULE RECORD CONFLICTS (SCHED

INFO)

Call SAVE TO PERTINENT FILE/RECORD (UPDATED SCHED RECORDS, VALID TIME PERIOD,

NO OF SEGMENTS, COURSE TYPE,

SEGMENTS, COOKSE TIPE

COURSE NUMBER)

End loop End loop

End

MODULE: SCHEDULE COURSES W/ LARGE # OF STUDENTS

PURPOSE: To coordinate scheduling courses that have a large

enrollment.

USES: N/A

RETURNS: N/A

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

Begin

Loop until EOF

Call READ COURSE SEGMENT FILE (NULL STATUS,

SEGMENT STUDENTS)

Call READ COURSE FILE (COURSE TYPE, COURSE

NUMBER)

Call GET VALID TIME PERIOD AND ROOM (COURSE

SEGMENT SCREEN INFO, SCREEN INDICATOR)

Call RESOLVE SCHEDULE RECORD CONFLICTS (SCHED

TNFO)

Call SAVE TO PERTINENT FILE/RECORD (UPDATED

SCHED RECORDS, VALID TIME PERIOD, NO OF SEGMENTS, COURSE TYPE,

COURSE MAKED

COURSE NUMBER)

End loop

If COURSE RECORD.SIMULTANEOUS SCHED COURSE not

null

Call UPDATE SIMULTANEOUS SCHEDULED COURSE

(SIMULTANEOUS SCHED COURSE, VALID ROOM,

VALID TIME PERIOD)

Endif End loop End

CALLED BY: SCHEDULE TOP PRIORITY COURSES

MODULE: SCHEDULE COURSES W/ REQUIRED LAB ROOM AND TIME

PERIOD

PURPOSE: To coordinate scheduling courses that require a

specific laboratory at a specific time.

USES: N/A

RETURNS: N/A

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

Begin

Loop until EOF

Call READ COURSE FILE (NULL STATUS, REQUIRED

LABROOM)

Loop until Course Segment EOF

Call READ COURSE SEGMENT FILE (COURSE TYPE,

COURSE NUMBER)

Call GET VALID TIME PERIOD AND ROOM (COURSE

SEGMENT SCREEN INFO, SCREEN INDICATOR)

Call RESOLVE SCHEDULE RECORD CONFLICTS (SCHED

INFO)

Call SAVE TO PERTINENT FILE/RECORD (UPDATED

SCHED RECORDS, VALID TIME PERIOD,

NO OF SEGMENTS, COURSE TYPE,

COURSE NUMBER)

End loop
End loop

End

MODULE: SCHEDULE COURSES w/REQUIRED TIME PERIOD

PURPOSE: To schedule courses with required times of

instruction.

USES: N/A

RETURNS: N/A

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

Begin

Loop until EOF

Call READ COURSE FILE (NULL STATUS, COURSE

REQUIRED TIME)

Loop until EOF

Call READ COURSE SEGMENT FILE (COURSE TYPE,

COURSENUMBER)

Call GET VALID TIME PERIOD AND ROOM (COURSE SEGMENT SCREEN INFO, SCREEN INDICATOR)

Call RESOLVE SCHED RECORD CONFLICTS (SCHED

INFO)

Call SAVE TO PERTINENT FILE/RECORD (UPDATED SCHED RECORDS, COURSE TYPE,

COURSE NUMBER, VALID TIME PERIOD,

NO OF SEGMENTS)

Endloop

If COURSE RECORD.SIMULTANEOUS SCHED COURSE

notnull

Call UPDATE SIMULTANEOUS SCHEDULED COURSE

(SIMULTANEOUS SCHED COURSE,

VALID ROOM, VALID TIME PERIOD)

End if Endloop

End

CALLED BY: SCHEDULE TOP PRIORITY COURSES

SCHEDULE COURSES w/REQUIRED TIME PERIOD FOR MODULE:

INSTRUCTOR

PURPOSE: To schedule courses that require Instructor to

teach at specific TIME PERIODS.

USES: N/A

N/A RETURNS:

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

Begin

Loop until EOF

Call READ COURSE FILE (NULL STATUS, INSTRUC

REQUIRED TIME)

Loop until COURSE SEGMENT EOF

Call READ COURSE SEGMENT FILE (COURSE TYPE,

COURSENUMBER)

Call GET VALID TIME PERIOD AND ROOM (COURSE

SEGMENT SCREEN INFO, SCREEN INDICATOR) Call RESOLVE SCHEDULE RECORD CONFLICTS (SCHED

INFO)

Call SAVE TO PERTINENT FILE/RECORD (UPDATED

SCHED RECORDS, COURSE TYPE,

COURSE NUMBER, VALID TIME PERIOD,

NO OF SEGMENTS)

End loop

If COURSE RECORD SIMULTANEOUS SCHED COURSE no

null

Call UPDATE SIMULTANEOUS SCHEDULED COURSE (SIMULTANEOUS SCHED COURSE, VALID

ROOM, VALID TIME PERIOD)

Endif Endloop

End

CALLED BY: SCHEDULE TOP PRIORITY COURSES

SCHEDULE COURSES W/ TEACHING TEAM MODULE:

To coordinate scheduling courses that are taught by PURPOSE:

teaching teams.

N/A USES:

RETURNS: N/A

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

Begin

Loop until COURSE SEGMENT EOF

Call READ COURSE SEGMENT FILE (NULL STATUS, TEACHING TEAM)

Call READ COURSE FILE (COURSE TYPE, COURSE

NUMBER)

Call GET VALID TIME PERIOD AND ROOM (COURSE

SEGMENT SCREEN INFO, SCREEN INDICATOR)

Call RESOLVE SCHEDULE RECORD CONFLICTS (SCHED INFO)

Call SAVE TO PERTINENT FILE/RECORD (UPDATED

SCHED RECORDS, VALID TIME PERIOD,

NO OF SEGMENTS, COURSE TYPE,

COURSE NUMBER)

End loop

End

MODULE: SCHEDULE LOWER PRIORITY COURSES

PURPOSE: To coordinate the scheduling of lower priority

courses.

USES: N/A

RETURNS: N/A

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

Begin

Call SCHEDULE COURSES W/ 3 HOUR LABS

Call SCHEDULE COURSES W/ REQUIRED LAB ROOM AND TIME PERIOD

Call SCHEDULE COURSES W/ DIVERSITY OF MAJORS

Call SCHEDULE COURSES W/ TEACHING TEAM

Call SCHEDULE REMAINING COURSES

End .

CALLED BY: CREATE NEW SCHEDULES

MODULE: SCHEDULE MIDDLE PRIORITY COURSES

PURPOSE: To coordinate the scheduling of middle priority

courses.

USES: N/A

RETURNS: N/A

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

Begin

Call SCHEDULE COURSES TAUGHT BY DEAN/CHAIRMAN

Call SCHEDULE SIMULTANEOUS SCHEDULED COURSES

Call SCHEDULE ACCELERATED COURSES

Call SCHEDULE COURSES W/ DESIGNATED STUDENT

COURSE GRPS

Call SCHEDULE COURSES REQUIRING SPECIAL ROOMS

End

CALLED BY: CREATE NEW SCHEDULES

MODULE: SCHEDULE REFRESHER COURSES

PURPOSE: To schedule Refresher Courses.

USES: N/A

RETURNS: N/A

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

Begin Loop

Call READ COURSE FILE (NULL STATUS, REFRESHER

COURSE)

Loop until EOF

Call READ COURSE SEGMENT FILE (COURSE TYPE,

COURSE NUMBER)

Call GET VALID TIME PERIOD AND ROOM (COURSE

SEGMENT SCREEN INFO, SCREEN INDICATOR)

Call RESOLVE SCHEDULE RECORD CONFLICTS

(SCHED INFO)

Call SAVE TO PERINTENT FILE/RECORD (UPDATED

SCHED RECORDS, COURSE TYPE,

COURSE NUMBER, VALID TIME PERIOD,

NO OF SEGMENTS)

Endloop

If COURSE RECORD.SIMULTANEOUS SCHED COURSE

not null

Call UPDATE SIMULTANEOUS SCHEDULED COURSE

(SIMULTANEOUS SCHED COURSE, VALID ROOM,

VALID TIME PERIOD)

End if End loop

End

CALLED BY: SCHEDULE TOP PRIORITY COURSES

MODULE: SCHEDULE REMAINING COURSES

PURPOSE: To coordinate the scheduling of courses that have

yet to be scheduled for the academic quarter.

USES: N/A

RETURNS: N/A

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

Begin

Loop until EOF

Call READ COURSE FILE (NULL STATUS)

Loop until Course Segment EOF

Call READ COURSE SEGMENT FILE (COURSE TYPE,

COURSE NUMBER)

Call GET VALID TIME PERIOD AND ROOM (COURSE

SEGMENT SCREEN INFO, SCREEN INDICATOR)

Call RESOLVE SCHEDULE RECORD CONFLICTS (SCHED

INFO)

Call SAVE TO PERTINENT FILE/RECORD (UPDATED

SCHED RECORDS, VALID TIME PERIOD,

NO OF SEGMENTS, COURSE TYPE,

COURSE NUMBER)

End loop End loop

End

MODULE: SCHEDULE SEMI-PERM EVENTS

PURPOSE: To automatically schedule semi-permanent events.

USES: N/A

RETURNS: N/A

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

Begin Loop

Call DETERMINE SEMI-PERM EVENT AND EVENT MBRSHP Call DETERRMINE MBRSHP SCHED AND ROOM SCHED (MBRSHP, ROOM)

Call ASSIGN SEMI-PERM EVENT TO SCHEDULES (SCHED RECORDS, SEMI-PERM EVENT RECORD)

Endloop

End

CALLED BY: CREATE NEW SCHEDULE FILE

MODULE: SCHEDULE SIMULTANEOUS SCHEDULED COURSES

PURPOSE: To coordinate scheduling of courses that must be

scheduled simultaneously with other courses.

USES: N/A

RETURNS: N/A

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

Begin

Loop until EOF

Call READ COURSE FILE (NULL STATUS,

SIMULTANEOUS COURSE)

Loop until COURSE SEGMENT EOF

Call READ COURSE SEGMENT FILE (COURSE TYPE,

COURSE NUMBER)

Call GET VALID TIME PERIOD AND ROOM (COURSE

SEGMENT SCREEN INFO, SCREEN INDICATOR)

Call RESOLVE SCHEDULE RECORD CONFLICTS (SCHED TNFO)

Call SAVE TO PERTINENT FILE/RECORD (UPDATED SCHED RECORDS, VALID TIME

PERIOD, NO OF SEGMENTS,

COURSE TYPE, COURSE NUMBER)

End loop

If COURSE RECORD. SIMULTANEOUS SCHED COURSE not

null

Call UPDATE SIMULTANEOUS SCHEDULED COURSE (SIMULTANEOUS SCHED COURSE, VALID ROOM,

VALID TIME PERIOD)

Endif End loop

End

MODULE: SCHEDULE TOP PRIORITY COURSES

PURPOSE: To coordinate the scheduling of top priority

courses.

USES: N/A

RETURNS: N/A

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

Begin

Call SCHEDULE REFRESHER COURSES

Call SCHEDULE COURSES w/REQUIRED TIME PERIOD

Call SCHEDULE COURSES w/LARGE ATTENDANCE

Call SCHEDULE COURSES TAUGHT BY DEPT CHAIR/DEAN

End

CALLED BY: CREATE NEW SCHEDULES

MODULE: SCHEDULING DATA MAINTENANCE

PURPOSE: To coordinate the maintenance of data files for the

NPS SCHEDULING SYSTEM.

USES: N/A

RETURNS: N/A

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

Begin Loop

Call GET VALID DATA MAINTENANCE TRANSACTION

Case VALID TRANSACTION

When VALID TRANSACTION = COPY FILES

Call COPY MAINFRAME FILES

When VALID TRANSACTION = UPDATE

Call UPDATE DATA FILES

When VALID TRANSACTION = PRINT Call PRINT FILE, RECORD, REPORT

End Case

End loop

End

CALLED BY: NPS SCHEDULING SYSTEM

MODULE: SEARCH DATABASE

PURPOSE: To search the database for an ITEM based on the

ITEM QUERY.

USES: ITEM QUERY

RETURNS: ITEM

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS: (Pre-defined)

1. Search database for the ITEM matching the ITEM

QUERY.

CALLED BY: VALIDATE AND ECHO PRINT SCREEN

MODULE: SEARCH FOR ALTERNATIVES

PURPOSE: To search the given SCHED RECORDS for an

alternative TIME PERIOD slot that has no conflict.

USES: SCHED RECORDS

RETURNS: ALTERNATIVES

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS: (Pre-defined)

1. Search the given SCHED RECORDS and find all the alternative TIME PERIOD slots, to schedule the course, where NO CONFLICT exists between the given SCHED RECORDS.

2. Return all TIME PERIODS where INSTRUC SCHED RECORD.TIME PERIOD + ROOM SCHED RECORD.TIME PERIOD + STUDENT COURSE GRP.TIME PERIOD = null.

CALLED BY: RESOLVE SCHEDULE RECORD CONFLICTS

RESOLVE UPDATE CONFLICTS

MODULE: UPDATE COURSE/COURSE SEGMENT FILES

PURPOSE: To update the COURSE/COURSE SEGMENT FILES with data

from the mainframe E-Z Class Demand List File.

USES: N/A

RETURNS: N/A

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

Begin

Loop until EOF

Call READ M/F E-Z CLASS DEMAND LIST FILE Call READ M/F SCG SECT FILE (COURSE TYPE,

COURSE NUMBER)

Call WRITE COURSE FILE (COURSE TYPE, COURSE NUMBER, LECT HRS, LAB HRS, SCG CARD NUMBER)
Call WRITE COURSE SEGMENT FILE (COURSE TYPE, COURSENUMBER)

End loop

End

CALLED BY: COPY MAINFRAME FILES

MODULE: UPDATE COURSE RECORD

PURPOSE: To update the status of a given course.

USES: STATUS

COURSE TYPE COURSE NUMBER

RETURNS: N/A

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS: (Pre-defined)

1. For the given COURSE TYPE and COURSE NUMBER, update COURSE RECORD.STATUS to the given STATUS.

CALLED BY: SAVE TO PERTINENT FILE/RECORD

MODULE: UPDATE COURSE SEGMENT RECORD

PURPOSE: To UPDATE the STATUS, DAY and PERIOD of a given

COURSE SEGMENT.

USES: STATUS

TIME PERIOD COURSE TYPE COURSE NUMBER

RETURNS: N/A

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS: (Pre-defined)

1. For the given COURSE TYPE and COURSE NUMBER, update COURSE SEGMENT RECORD.STATUS with STATUS, COURSE SEGMENT RECORD.DAY with DAY and COURSE SEGMENT RECORD.PERIOD with PERIOD.

CALLED BY: SAVE TO PERTINENT FILE/RECORD

MODULE: UPDATE DATABASE FILES

PURPOSE: To coordinate the updating of NPS3 database files.

USES: N/A

RETURNS: N/A

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

Begin Loop Cal

Call GET VALID FILE

Call GET VALID UPDATE TRANSACTION

Case VALID TRANSACTION

When VALID TRANSACTION = ADD

Call ADD DATA RECORD

When VALID TRANSACTION = MODIFY

Call MODIFY DATA RECORD

When VALID TRANSACTION = DELETE

Call DELETE DATA RECORD

End Case End loop

End

CALLED BY: SCHEDULING DATA MAINTENANCE

MODULE: UPDATE FACULTY FILE

PURPOSE: To update the Faculty File with data from the

mainframe Professor Listing File.

USES: N/A

RETURNS: N/A

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

Begin

Loop until EOF

Call READ M/F PROFESSOR LISTING FILE

Call WRITE FACULTY FILE (FACULTY NAME, DEPT

LTR CODE, FACULTY CODE)

End loop

End

CALLED BY: COPY MAINFRAME FILES

MODULE: UPDATE SCHEDULE FILE

PURPOSE: To coordinate updating an old master schedule file.

USES: VALID FILE

RETURNS: N/A

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

Begin Loop

Call GET VALID SCHEDULE RECORDS TO UPDATE Call UPDATE SCHEDULE RECORDS (VALID SCHED

RECORDS)

End loop

End

CALLED BY: REVIEW OLD SCHEDULE FILE

MODULE: UPDATE SCHEDULE RECORDS

PURPOSE: To update schedule records.

USES: VALID SCHED RECORDS

RETURNS: N/A

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

Begin

Call GET DATE

Call GET SCHEDULE CHANGES

Call DETERMINE CONFLICTS (SCHED INFO, SCHED RECORDS)

If SCHEDULE CONFLICTS returned

Call RESOLVE UPDATE CONFLICTS (SCHED INFO, SCHEDULE CONFLICT, SCHED RECORDS)

Call WRITE TO FILE (UPDATED SCHED RECORDS)

Elseif UPDATED SCHED RECORDS returned

Call WRITE TO FILE (UPDATED SCHED RECORDS)

End if

End

CALLED BY: UPDATE SCHEDULE FILE

MODULE: UPDATE SIMULTANEOUS SCHEDULED COURSE RECORD

PURPOSE: To update a simultaneously scheduled course with

the VALID ROOM and VALID TIME PERIOD.

USES: SIMULTANEOUS SCHEDULED COURSE

VALID ROOM

VALID TIME PERIOD

RETURNS: N/A

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS: (Pre-defined)

1. For the given simultaneous scheduled COURSE TYPE and COURSE NUMBER, update COURSE SEGMENT RECORD.DAY with VALID DAY, COURSE SEGMENT RECORD.PERIOD with VALID PERIOD, COURSE SEGMENT RECORD.BUILDING CODE with VALID BUILDING CODE and COURSE SEGMENT RECORD.ROOM NUMBER with VALID ROOM NUMBER.

2. Change COURSE SEGMENT RECORD.STATUS and COURSE RECORD.STATUS for the given simultaneous scheduled COURSE TYPE and COURSE NUMBER to DONE.

CALLED BY: SCHEDULE REFRESHER COURSES

SCHEDULE COURSES w/ REQUIRED TIME PERIOD

SCHEDULE COURSES w/ REQUIRED TIME PERIOD FOR

INSTRUCTOR

SCHEDULE COURSES w/ LARGE NUMBER OF STUDENTS

SCHEDULE COURSES TAUGHT BY DEAN/CHAIRMAN SCHEDULE SIMULTANEOUS SCHEDULED COURSES

MODULE: UPDATE STUDENT COURSE GRP FILE

PURPOSE: To update the STUDENT COURSE GRP FILE with

data from the mainframe SECT file.

USES: N/A

RETURNS: N/A

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

Begin

Loop until EOF

Call READ M/F SCG SECT FILE

Call WRITE SCG SCHED FILE (SECT SCG RECORD)

End loop

End

CALLED BY: COPY MAINFRAME FILES

MODULE: UPDATE STUDENT FILE

PURPOSE: To update the STUDENT FILE with data from the

mainframe SECT file.

USES: N/A

RETURNS: N/A

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

Begin

Loop until EOF

Call READ M/F STUDENT SECT FILE

Call WRITE STUDENT FILE (SECT STUDENT

RECORDS)

End loop

End

CALLED BY: COPY MAINFRAME FILES

MODULE: VALIDATE AND ECHO COURSE/LAB SCHEDULING SCREEN

PURPOSE: To validate the time period and room entered by the

system user for a given course/lab.

USES: N/A

RETURNS: VALID TIME PERIOD

VALID ROOM

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

Begin Loop

Call READ SCREEN

If FLAG TYPE = QUIT

Exit system

Elseif FLAG TYPE=HELP

. Call DETERMINE HELP INSTRUCTIONS (COURSE/LAB

SCHEDULING SCREEN)

Elseif FLAG TYPE = RETURN

GO TO previous menu

End if

Call GET TIME PERIOD

Call GET ROOM

If TIME PERIOD and ROOM are valid

Return (VALID TIME PERIOD, VALID ROOM)

Else Call PUT COURSE/LAB SCHEDULING SCREEN
(COURSE/LAB SCHEDULING SCREEN, INVALID TIME
PERIOD MESSAGE AND/OR INVALID ROOM MESSAGE)

End if End Loop

EUG DO

End

CALLED BY: GET VALID TIME PERIOD AND ROOM

MODULE: VALIDATE AND ECHO FILE SCREEN

PURPOSE: To get a VALID FILE to update.

USES: N/A

RETURNS: VALID FILE

VALID FILE NAME

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

Begin Loop Call READ SCREEN If FLAG TYPE = HELP Call DETERMINE HELP INSTRUCTIONS (FILE SCREEN) Elseif FLAG TYPE = QUIT Exit system Elseif FLAG TYPE = RETURN GO TO previous menu Endif Call GET FILE NAME When updating, reviewing or deleting Call READ FILE (FILE NAME) If FILENAME Exists as a FILE Return (VALID FILE) Else Call Put FILE SCREEN (FILE SCREEN, INVALID FILE MESSAGE) Endif When creating file Return (VALID FILE NAME) Exit loop End loop End

CALLED BY: GET VALID FILE

MODULE: VALIDATE AND ECHO PASSWORD SCREEN

PURPOSE: To get a valid system password.

USES: N/A

RETURNS: VALID PASSWORD (flag)

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

Begin Count := 1 Loop while Count 1 = 3Call READ SCREEN If FLAGTYPE = HELP Call Determine HELP INSTRUCTIONS (PASSWORD SCREEN) Elseif FLAG TYPE = QUIT EXIT SYSTEM End if Call GET USER PASSWORD Count = Count + 1Call READ SYSTEM PASSWORD If SYSTEM PASSWORD = USER PASSWORD Return VALID PASSWORD Else Call Put PASSWORD SCREEN (PASSWORD SCREEN, INVALID PASSWORD MESSAGE 1) Endif End loop Call PUT PASSWORD SCREEN (PASSWORD SCREEN, INVALID PASSWORD MESSAGE 2) EXIT SYSTEM End

CALLED BY: GET VALID PASSWORD

MODULE: VALIDATE AND ECHO PRINT SCREEN

PURPOSE: To get a valid item to print

USES: N/A

RETURNS: VALID ITEM

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

Begin Loop Call READ SCREEN IF FLAG TYPE = HELP Call DETERMINE HELP INSTRUCTIONS (PRINT SCREEN) Elseif FLAG TYPE = QUIT Exit system Elseif FLAG TYPE = RETURN GO TO previous menu Endif Call GET ITEM PRINT QUERY Call SEARCH DATABASE (ITEM QUERY) If ITEM exists for ITEM QUERY Return VALID ITEM Else Call PUT FILE SCREEN (FILE SCREEN, INVALID FILE MESSAGE) Endif End loop End

CALLED BY: GET VALID ITEM TO PRINT

MODULE: VALIDATE AND ECHO SCHEDULE CONFLICT/ALTERNATIVES

SCREEN

PURPOSE: To validate the alternative TIME PERIOD selected by

the system user for a given SCHEDULE CONFLICT.

USES: N/A

RETURNS: VALID ALTERNATIVE SELECTION

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

Begin

Loop

Call READ SCREEN
If FLAG TYPE = QUIT

Exit system

Elseif FLAG TYPE = HELP

Call DETERMINE HELP INSTRUCTIONS (SCHEDULE

CONFLICT/ALTERNATIVES SCREEN)

Elseif FLAG TYPE = RETURN
GO TO previous menu

Endif

Call GET ALTERNATIVE SELECTION

If ALTERNATIVE SELECTION is VALID

Return (VALID ALTERNATIVE SELECTION)

Else Call PUT SCHEDULE CONLICT/ALTERNATIVES
SCREEN (SCHEDULE CONFLICT/ALTERNATIVES

SCREEN, INVALID SELECTION MESSAGE)

Endif Endloop

End

CALLED BY: RESOLVE SCHEDULE RECORD CONFLICT

RESOLVE UPDATE CONFLICTS

MODULE: VALIDATE AND ECHO SCHEDULE RECORD SCREEN

PURPOSE: To coordinate getting VALID SCHED RECORDS to

update.

USES: N/A

RETURNS: VALID SCHED RECORDS

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

Begin Loop

Call DE

Call READ SCREEN
IF FLAG TYPE = HELP

Call DETERMINE HELP INSTRUCTIONS (SCHEDULE

RECORD SCREEN)

Elseif FLAG TYPE = QUIT

Exit system

Elseif FLAG TYPE = RETURN

GO TO previous menu

Endif

Call GET SCHEDULE RECORD QUERY

Call READ SCHED RECORDS (SCHEDULE RECORD QUERY)

If SCHED RECORDS exist

Return VALID SCHED RECORDS

Elseif NOT FOUND returned

Call PUT SCHEDULE RECORD SCREEN (SCHEDULE

RECORD SCREEN,

INVALID SCHEDULE RECORD MESSAGE)

End if End loop

End

CALLED BY: GET VALID SCHEDULE RECORDS TO UPDATE

MODULE: VALIDATE AND ECHO TRANSACTION SCREEN

PURPOSE: To get a valid transaction.

USES: N/A

RETURNS: VALID TRANSACTION

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS:

Begin Loop

Call READ SCREEN
If FLAG TYPE = HELP

Call DETERMINE HELP INSTRUCTIONS (TRANSACTION

SCREEN)

Elseif FLAG TYPE = QUIT

Exit system

Elseif FLAG TYPE = RETURN

GO TO previous menu

Endif

Call GET TRANSACTION

If TRANSACTION is a VALID TRANSACTION

Return VALID TRANSACTION

Else Call PUT TRANSACTION SCREEN (TRANSACTION

SCREEN, INVALID TRANSACTION MESSAGE)

Endif End loop

End

CALLED BY: GET VALID NPS SCHEDULING SYSTEM TRANSACTION

GET VALID DATA MAINTENANCE TRANSACTION

GET VALID FILE UPDATE TRANSACTION GET VALID EVENT/COURSE TRANSACTION

MODULE: WRITE COURSE FILE

PURPOSE: To write a Course file for the NPS3 from the E-Z

Class Demand List File and the SCG SECT File.

USES: COURSE TYPE

COURSE NUMBER

LECT HRS LAB HRS

SCG CARD NUMBER

RETURNS: N/A

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS: (Pre-defined)

1. Write the course information to Course File.

CALLED BY: UPDATE COURSE/COURSE SEGMENT FILES

MODULE: WRITE COURSE SEGMENT FILE

PURPOSE: To write a Course Segment File for the NPS³ from

the E-Z Class Demand List File.

USES: COURSE TYPE

COURSE NUMBER

RETURNS: N/A

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS: (Pre-defined)

1. Write the course information to Course Segment

File.

CALLED BY: UPDATE COURSE/COURSE SEGMENT FILES

MODULE: WRITE FACULTY FILE

PURPOSE: To write a FACULTY FILE for the NPS³ from the

Professor Listing File.

USES: FACULTY NAME

FACULTY CODE DEPT LTR CODE

RETURNS: N/A

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS: (Pre-defined)

1. Write the Faculty information to FACULTY FILE.

CALLED BY: UPDATE FACULTY FILE

MODULE: WRITE INSTRUC SCHED FILE

PURPOSE: To write the UPDATED INSTRUC SCHED RECORD to the

INSTRUC SCHED FILE.

USES: UPDATED INSTRUC SCHED RECORD

DATE

RETURNS: N/A

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS: (Pre-defined)

1. Write the UPDATED INSTRUC SCHED RECORD to the

INSTRUC SCHED FILE.

CALLED BY: ASSIGN SEMI-PERM EVENT TO SCHEDULES

SAVE TO PERTINENT FILE/RECORD

MODULE: WRITE MASTER SCHEDULE FILE

PURPOSE: To write the SCHED RECORDS to a master schedule

file.

USES: VALID FILE NAME

SCHED RECORDS

RETURNS: N/A

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS: (Pre-defined)

1. Write all SCHED RECORDS to the designated named

file.

CALLED BY: SAVE TO MASTER SCHEDULE FILE

MODULE: WRITE NPS3 SCG SCHED FILE

PURPOSE: To write a SCG SCHED FILE for the NPS³ from SECT

SCG RECORDS.

USES: SECT SCG RECORD

RETURNS: N/A

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS: (Pre-defined)

1. Write the SECT SCG RECORD to the NPS³ SCG

SCHED FILE.

CALLED BY: UPDATE STUDENT COURSE GROUP FILE

MODULE: WRITE ROOM SCHED FILE

PURPOSE: To write the UPDATED ROOM SCHED RECORD to the ROOM

SCHED FILE.

USES: UPDATED ROOM SCHED RECORD

DATE

RETURNS: N/A

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS: (Pre-defined)

1. Write the UPDATED ROOM SCHED RECORD to the ROOM

SCHED FILE.

CALLED BY: ASSIGN SEMI-PERM EVENT TO SCHEDULES

SAVE TO PERTINENT FILE/RECORD

MODULE: WRITE SCG SCHED FILE

PURPOSE: To write the UPDATED SCG SCHED RECORD to the SCG

SCHED FILE.

USES: UPDATED SCG SCHED RECORD

DATE

RETURNS: N/A

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS: (Pre-defined)

1. Write the UPDATED SCG SCHED RECORD to the SCG

SCHED FILE.

CALLED BY: ASSIGN SEMI-PERM EVENT TO SCHEDULES

SAVE TO PERTINENT FILE/RECORD

MODULE: WRITE STUDENT FILE

PURPOSE: To write a STUDENT FILE for the NPS3 from SECT

STUDENT RECORDS.

USES: SECT STUDENT RECORDS

RETURNS: N/A

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS: (Pre-defined)

1. Write the SECT RECORD to the STUDENT FILE.

CALLED BY: UPDATE STUDENT FILE

MODULE: WRITE TO FILE

PURPOSE: To write the UPDATED SCHED RECORDS to the file

being updated.

USES: UPDATED SCHED RECORDS

RETURNS: N/A

FUNCTIONAL DETAILS: (Pre-defined)

1. Write the UPDATED SCHED RECORDS to the master

schedule file being updated.

CALLED BY: UPDATE SCHEDULE RECORDS

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